

## The New Hampshire House Of Representatives

Sherman A. Packard, Speaker of the House

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## **House Concurs with Senate Version of State Budget**

Concord, NH: Speaker Sherman Packard (R- Londonderry) released the following statement after the House concurred with the Senate version of the state budget bills, HB 1 and HB 2, on a bipartisan vote:

"In another historic moment, this legislature came to a bipartisan agreement to help move NH forward into an exceptional future. This is a budget that focuses on helping NH families reach their full potential.

Thanks to the hard work put in by our House Finance Committee; they drafted a product that fulfilled our obligations to this state and its citizens. We were able to implement fiscally responsible measures to help bolster our economy and preserve the NH Advantage without adding in any new taxes.

By focusing on what makes the Granite State one of the safest and best places in which to live and work, we are putting families first and investing in crucial areas like education, affordable housing, healthcare, and public safety. We are ensuring programs for mental health and substance abuse are properly funded and increasing funds for towns and students who are in the most financial need.

Our priority is to put our constituents first and give them the necessary tools needed to truly live the way they see best. We don't need to raise taxes or fees to do that. This budget makes that clear."

Background: House Bill 1 passed on a 351-25 vote and House Bill 2 passed on a 326-53 vote

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