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House Of Representatives

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House Republican Leadership Supports a Seven-Year Extension for Medicaid Expansion

Concord, NH: Deputy Speaker Steven Smith (R-Charlestown) released the following statement regarding the importance of reauthorizing a seven-year extension of the Granite Advantage Healthcare Program as part of the state budget:

"We've heard from the business community, the health care community, and people across NH about the importance of reauthorizing Medicaid expansion. We all agree that the program needs to be reauthorized and we've had a productive conversation about the appropriate length of time for a sunset provision.

A seven-year extension of the Granite Advantage Healthcare Program makes logical and fiscal sense. NH gets the financial benefit of a full contract period, a continued drop in uncompensated care costs - which is a hidden tax - and it stabilizes the market allowing for more competition to help further drive down health care costs in our state. House Republican leadership fully supports the budget compromise of seven years. Let's get it done."

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