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Sen. Carson statement on passage of Pro-Parent Bill

SB 410 requires time be set aside at school board meetings for public comment

CONCORD, NH – Sen. Sharon Carson (R-Londonderry) issued the following statement today on the passage of SB 410:

"SB 410 is about respecting parents and listening to the valuable input they have to share regarding their child's education. The legislation ensures that all school board meetings include a public comment period on school district matters that lasts a minimum of thirty minutes. It also allows for school boards to set reasonable time limits for all speakers and other reasonable standards of conduct."

"As prime sponsor, I believe this bill will help reduce the contentiousness that has defined and derailed so many of our school board meetings across the state, especially during the pandemic. Parents are frustrated, feel disrespected and shut out of a process that should be welcoming and transparent. I am confident that SB 410 will go a long way to fixing this problem by protecting the right of New Hampshire parents to be heard."

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