

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Friday, January 16, 2026

THE COMMITTEE ON Executive Departments and Administration

to which was referred **SB 490**

AN ACT

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Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

BY A VOTE OF: 3-0

AMENDMENT # 2026-0118s

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For the Committee

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