

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

THE COMMITTEE ON Judiciary

to which was referred **SB 556-FN**

AN ACT

including syringes and similar medical devices in the definition of special waste for purposes of solid waste management and making the disposal of such special waste a felony.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

BE REFERRED TO INTERIM STUDY

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

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For the Committee

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