

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SENATE
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

THE COMMITTEE ON Election Law and Municipal Affairs

to which was referred **SB 438**

AN ACT	enabling the department of safety and the secretary of state to develop a process to share certain information regarding REAL ID applicants.
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Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

AMENDMENT # 2026-0773s

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For the Committee

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