

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, April 2, 2026

THE COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources

to which was referred **HB 1603-FN**

AN ACT

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BY A VOTE OF: 4-0

AMENDMENT # 2026-1305s

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For the Committee

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