

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 1253**

AN ACT

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nuisance dog statutes when engaged in such work.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

BY A VOTE OF: 2-0

AMENDMENT # 2026-1308s

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For the Committee

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