

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday, April 27, 2026

THE COMMITTEE ON Executive Departments and Administration

to which was referred **HB 1705-FN**

AN ACT establishing an employee assistance program for
small town and volunteer first responders.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

Senator Debra Altschiller
For the Committee

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