

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

THE COMMITTEE ON Election Law and Municipal Affairs

to which was referred **HB 1355**

AN ACT

relative to eliminating the default budget from the
official ballot referenda.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

BE REFERRED TO INTERIM STUDY

BY A VOTE OF: 4-0

Senator Timothy Lang
For the Committee

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