

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, March 6, 2025

THE COMMITTEE ON Health and Human Services

to which was referred **SB 243-FN**

AN ACT relative to the child care scholarship program.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

SHOULD BE PASSED WITH AMENDMENT

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

AMENDMENT # 2025-0787s

Senator Regina Birdsell
For the Committee

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Sophie Walsh 271-3469

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