

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SENATE
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, March 6, 2025

THE COMMITTEE ON Education Finance

to which was referred **SB 296**

AN ACT	increasing the percentage of nonpublic school scholarships awarded to students who qualify for the federal free and reduced-price meal program.
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Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

AMENDMENT # 2025-0794s

Senator Ruth Ward
For the Committee

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Joshua Schauer 271-3077

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