

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 11, 2025

THE COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources

to which was referred **SB 299**

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Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

UGHT TO PASS

BY A VOTE OF: 4-0

Senator Howard Pearl
For the Committee

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