

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

Thursday, January 23, 2025

THE COMMITTEE ON Health and Human Services

to which was referred **SB 47**

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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 # 0056s

Senator Regina Birdsell
For the Committee

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Sophie Walsh 271-3469

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