



February 3, 2026

To: Education Funding Committee

From: New Hampshire College & University Council (NHCUC)

Re: HB 1776-FN

On behalf of the 19 public and private college and universities that comprise the NH College and University Council, we respectfully oppose HB 1776-FN. Colleges and universities already comply with comprehensive federal requirements governing the disclosure of foreign grants, gifts, and contracts, making this proposed state-level reporting mandate unnecessary. HB 1776 would establish a parallel and more frequent reporting regime—requiring quarterly submissions, public posting of detailed donor information, and submission of underlying agreements—without demonstrating a gap in current oversight or a clear policy need. The result would be added administrative complexity, increased compliance risk, and diversion of limited institutional resources away from education, research, and workforce development priorities. Rather than improving transparency, the bill would duplicate existing law and impose new burdens with little corresponding public benefit.

For these reasons, NHCUC urges the committee to find HB 1776-FN **Inexpedient to Legislate**.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mica Stark". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mica" and last name "Stark" clearly distinguishable.

Mica Stark

President and CEO