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CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Today, Governor Sununu vetoed [HB 106](#), which would repeal a change made to the statutory definition of “resident” last session. **Representative David E. Cote (D-Nashua), Chair of the House Election Law Committee**, released the following statement:

"The Governor's veto today is just further evidence that the Republican Party wants to pick and choose which New Hampshire voters are allowed to participate in our elections. HB 106 sought to correct partisan legislation passed last year which requires some voters to pay what amounts to poll taxes to the state in order to exercise their constitutional right to vote."

"The beauty of New Hampshire's first-in-the-nation Presidential Primary is the direct access every Granite Stater has to the candidates who seek to lead the free world. Our record voter turnout indicates just how seriously New Hampshire voters take that responsibility. In recent years, it has become clear that New Hampshire Republicans believe restricting who can vote benefits them more than honestly engaging in a campaign of ideas. The Governor's veto harms the integrity of elections in New Hampshire."

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