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CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Today, Governor Sununu allowed [SB 241](#), legislation to fund the development phase of the capital corridor rail project, to become law without signature. **House Majority Leader Doug Ley (D-Jaffrey)** released the following statement:

“It is past time for New Hampshire to move from perpetual study of passenger rail to a project development plan. Bringing passenger rail to New Hampshire has widespread public support across all age groups and geographic areas because Granite Staters understand the economic, environmental, and pragmatic benefits that expanded public transportation options can bring to our state.”

“This bill represents a tremendous opportunity to expand our workforce pool, grow tourism, and reduce the environmental impact of commuter traffic across New Hampshire. No state funds will be used in the development phase and already appropriated Federal Matching Funds would be used to conduct the planning. While stated support from the Governor would have been preferable, I am pleased that he allowed this bill to become law despite near unanimous opposition from legislators in the Republican Party.”

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