

## RELEASE: House Legislation Addresses Affordable Housing Crisis

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#### **HOUSE LEGISLATION ADDRESSES AFFORDABLE HOUSING CRISIS**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** –Today, the House of Representatives voted [276-60](#) to pass [HB 1629](#), which along with HB 1632 seeks to address the affordable housing shortage in New Hampshire. The bill will now be referred to the Senate for consideration. **Representative Willis Griffith (D-Manchester)**, sponsor of the legislation, released the following statement:

“This bill is about increasing the housing stock and housing affordability in New Hampshire. With an under 1% vacancy rate across the state, and an ever-growing number of families looking for a starter home or an affordable apartment, it is imperative that steps be taken to incentivize the market and bring housing availability to a healthier rate.

HB 1629 is the result of a bipartisan task force and months of feedback from key stakeholders. By taking meaningful steps to bring predictability and transparency to the approval process for affordable housing developments, this legislation will encourage developers to bring more affordable units into the market. I thank everyone who has worked to develop innovative ways to address the housing shortage in New Hampshire, and I look forward to continuing to work hard to increase affordable housing across the Granite State.”

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