

# RELEASE: House Passes Cost of Living Adjustment for Retired State Employees

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### **HOUSE PASSES COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT FOR RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEES**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** – Today, the House of Representatives passed [HB 616](#), ensuring a Cost of Living Adjustment to NH retirees in the State Retirement System. **Representative Jeffrey Goley (D-Manchester)** released the following statement:

“Today’s vote to pass HB 616 sends an important and overdue message to retired teachers, first responders and state employees that we value their commitment to New Hampshire and share their financial concerns. These retirees, many of whom live on fixed incomes, have not been granted a COLA since 2010, almost a decade ago. Current NHRS statistics approximate that 94% of state retirees receive less than \$50,000 a year and 29% receive less than \$10,000 a year. I am heartened that the House has passed this critical legislation to better align state retiree benefits with today’s cost of living.”

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