

# RELEASE: House Votes to Restore and Increase Minimum Wage in New Hampshire

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## **HOUSE VOTES TO RESTORE AND INCREASE MINIMUM WAGE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** – The House of Representatives voted [209-139](#) today to pass [SB 10](#), establishing a minimum wage in New Hampshire. **Representative Brian Sullivan (D- Grantham), Chair of the House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee** released the following statement:

“New Hampshire is the only state in New England that still allows the federal government to set our minimum wage. As a result, families across the state are struggling to make ends meet while making \$7.25 per hour, the lowest minimum wage in the country. Senate Bill 10 proposes a gradual increase of the state’s minimum wage to \$10 per hour in 2020 and \$12 per hour in 2021, which will afford low wage workers similar opportunities to participate in our economy as they have in neighboring states.”

“Low wage workers need a minimum wage higher than the federal level so they can be closer to a living wage for New England. When working people have a higher wage they have more money to put back into the economy.”

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