

## **RELEASE: Compromise Budget Passes House**

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### **COMPROMISE BUDGET PASSES HOUSE**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** – Today, the House of Representatives took up and passed HB 3 and HB 4, budget bills containing the compromise agreement between legislative leaders and Governor Sununu. **House Majority Leader Doug Ley (D-Jaffrey)**, issued the following statement:

“The bipartisan budget passed today preserves the priorities House Democrats have been fighting for all year. Increased support for public education, expanded availability of mental health services, and increased access to affordable health care are Democratic initiatives that will move New Hampshire forward and protect the most vulnerable in our state.”

“This budget provides unprecedented support to our local communities, which will help alleviate the growing pressure on local property taxpayers. This budget increases state funding for public education by \$138 million, providing more support to local school districts than ever before. An additional \$40 million will be distributed to communities in unrestricted municipal aid, which this budget restored for the first time in a decade.”

“By making critical investments in mental health services and implementing long overdue increases in Medicaid reimbursement rates to support health care providers, this budget provides the necessary resources to tackle the opioid and mental health crises facing our state.”

“I want to thank my colleagues in the House and Senate, particularly Finance Chairs Wallner and D’Allesandro, for their work to find consensus on a budget that moves New Hampshire forward. This budget advances the priorities that voters sent House Democrats to Concord to advocate for. I am proud that we were able to deliver for the people of New Hampshire today.”

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