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CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Today the House of Representatives passed two bills, [HB 1285](#) and [HB 1349](#), aimed at protecting Granite State children. **Representative Mary Heath (D-Manchester)**, prime sponsor of HB 1285, released the following statement:

“Defending the safety of New Hampshire’s children, our most vulnerable citizens, is some of the most important work of the legislature. It is unacceptable that our municipalities currently have no ability to enforce the federal gun free school zones act or determine when someone entering a school with a gun constitutes a threat. Law enforcement and school administrators need the clarity that HB 1285 provides to keep our state safe.”

“Creating a commission to study incidents involving children and unsecured firearms is a reasonable effort to understand the scope of accidental shootings, suicides, and assaults in the Granite State. It is our duty as legislators to review data and seek testimony from the resources available to us, often within the form of an accountable committee, to make informed policy decisions for our state.”

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