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DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE - Today, Democrats in the House of Representatives passed House Bill 731, legislation that would increase the state's minimum wage gradually to \$12 by January of 2023. After the vote **Brian Sullivan (D-Granatham), Chair of the House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee**, released the following statement:

"New Hampshire is the only state in New England that has a minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour. House Bill 731 will increase our minimum wage to \$12 per hour by January of 2023. Despite Governor Sununu's repeated vetoes over the past two years of bills like this one that support workers, House Democrats are not afraid to continue passing legislation for hard working Granite Staters.

Many frontline workers who have been keeping our state healthy, fed, and safe during the coronavirus pandemic are low wage workers who would especially be helped by an increase in the minimum wage. Now more than ever with more families struggling to make ends meet, we need to step up and show them that elected officials have their backs."

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