

RELEASE: Governor Blocks Bipartisan Government Administration Bill

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**GOVERNOR BLOCKS BIPARTISAN GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION BILL
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** –Today, Governor Sununu vetoed [HB 1234](#), which would have established several statutory changes necessary for efficient government administration. **House Majority Leader Doug Ley (D-Jaffrey)** released the following statement:

“This bill contained a number of bipartisan statutory updates needed for fair, efficient operation of New Hampshire’s government, including clarity on death benefits for members of rescue squads and language to give residents of cities increased voice over the establishment of sports book retail locations. Importantly, the Governor’s veto message did not cite a single policy issue he disagreed with.

It is telling that after HB 1234 received unanimous bipartisan support in the Senate, Governor Sununu chose to align himself with the House Republicans who tried to exploit COVID-19 to prevent the legislature from working. Governor Sununu has been aware of the legislative process for months has already signed numerous pieces of omnibus legislation this month. Today’s veto message is a complete cop out. During this pandemic, Governor Sununu has grown more partisan at a time when Granite Staters are looking for nonpartisan leadership.”

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