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HB 1177 WOULD HAVE ADDRESSED NEW HAMPSHIRE'S HOUSING CRISIS

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Today, House Republicans tabled HB 1177, a bill that would increase New Hampshire's ability to add more affordable housing units throughout the state. **Prime Sponsor of HB 1177 Representative Ivy Vann (D-Peterborough)** released the following statement:

"Families in New Hampshire and across the country are struggling to find affordable housing. Right now, New Hampshire is short nearly 30,000 housing units and our restrictive zoning is part of the reason that we cannot build more units. HB 1177 would have addressed New Hampshire's housing crisis by providing communities a jumpstart towards increasing their missing middle housing efforts with small, multifamily homes in places served by water and sewer. This housing is for your average, working person, people who are currently priced out of housing access, to live a quality life in the Granite State. In fact, this idea is so popular that HB 1177 has bipartisan support from fellow legislators and encourages the action the governor has said is needed: towns should undertake producing small multi-family homes.

"I am furious for the working people of New Hampshire, but make no mistake that Democrats will continue the fight for affordable housing in the most beautiful state in the nation."

On Background:

Seacoast Online: NH Gov. Sununu: Cities and towns must develop multi-family housing, not 'high-end condos'

NH Business Review: 'Missing middle' housing bill heads to floor of New Hampshire House

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