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**REPUBLICANS INSIST ON ALLOWING DOMESTIC ABUSERS AND CRIMINALS ACCESS TO
FIREARMS**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Today, the New Hampshire House voted to kill [HB 1668](#), a bill to enact common-sense firearm background checks. Following the vote, **Prime Sponsor of the legislation, Rep. Katherine Rogers (D-Concord)** released the following statement:

“Requiring a background check of non-licensed gun sales is the very least we can do to keep guns out of the hands of felons and bad actors subject to a domestic violence protective order. Right now, in New Hampshire, convicted domestic abusers and violent criminals can purchase a gun online, at flea markets, in private sales and at gun shows without any restrictions.

We know that when a firearm is involved in a domestic conflict, women are five times more likely to be killed. We also know that 3 in 4 crime guns traced to an out-of-state seller were first sold in states with no background check laws, like New Hampshire.

Simply put, House Republicans are endangering Granite Staters by refusing to enact common-sense background check policy that exists in twenty-two other states across the country.”