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**HOUSE REPUBLICANS VOTE TO SEND BILL ALLOWING DISPENSING IVERMECTIN
WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION TO GOVERNOR SUNUNU**

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – Today, House Republicans voted to concur with the Senate changes to HB 1022, allowing the dispensing of ivermectin by a pharmacist using a standing order to treat COVID and a commission to review the use of ivermectin in COVID. Following the vote, **House Health, Human Services, and Elderly Affairs committee member Rep. (Dr.) Jerry Knirk (D-Freedom)** released the following statement:

“Standing orders with pharmacists should only be used to dispense medications in situations that are clearly supported by the best available medical evidence. Ivermectin does not reach this level of evidence. It is inappropriate and backwards for the legislature to pretend there is a consensus and then evaluate to see if one exists. Legislation must be informed by the best available evidence, not poor studies, and wishful thinking. Plain and simple, we should not legislate the practice of medicine.”