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Senate Republicans Vote to Protect New Hampshire Residents

CONCORD, NH – Senator Daryl Abbas (R-Salem) released the following statement on the passage of SB 248-FN, relative to bail for a defendant:

“We have heard testimony for years in both the House and the Senate that we need bail reform. We have dangerous individuals committing crimes, being released on bail, and then immediately reoffending.”

“No one should be denied bail solely because they cannot afford it, and this bill will not change that. This bill requires a judge to determine whether a violent offender poses a threat to the public before being released. Senate Republicans have been fighting for years for common sense bail reform, and we will continue to do so to keep our communities safe.”

Background: Senator Abbas is the prime sponsor for SB 248-FN, which makes a change to our current bail reform statute to ensure people charged with violent crimes like homicide, felonious sexual assault, and kidnapping are brought before the court so a judge can determine whether they are a threat to the public.

A motion of ought to pass on SB 248-FN was adopted by voice vote and ordered to the Senate Finance Committee.

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