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**SPECIALISTS TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC FORECASTS**

**CONCORD** – The chief economist for Standard & Poor’s will offer his thoughts on the international and national economic scene before a joint meeting of the House and Senate Ways and Means and Finance committees next month.

David Wyss, the man responsible for Standard & Poor’s economic forecasts and publications, will be joined by Robert Tannenwald of the Federal Reserve Bank in Boston and Ross Gittell of the University of New Hampshire. Tannenwald, a vice president and economist at the Federal Reserve Bank, will discuss the economic forecast for New England and Gittell, an economist at UNH’s Whittemore School of Business and Economics, will discuss the economic forecast for New Hampshire.

The session will be held on Monday, Nov. 2, at 1 p.m. in Rooms 202 and 204 of the Legislative Office Building.

Wyss holds a bachelor’s degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Ph.D. in economics from Harvard University. He testifies regularly before Congress and is quoted regularly in the press.

He serves on the economic advisory boards for the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and Harvard’s Joint Center for Housing Studies. He was named by “Treasury and Risk” magazine as one of 2009’s “100 Most Influential People in Finance.”

Tannenwald holds a bachelor’s degree from Dartmouth College and a Ph.D. from Harvard University. He has published extensively in the field of public finance, including topics such as devolution, unemployment insurance, state business tax climate, and the impacts of state and local tax policies on economic behavior.

He is a member of Rhode Island’s Tax Policy Strategy Workgroup and is immediate past president of the National Tax Association.

Gittell holds a bachelor’s degree in economics from the University of Chicago, a master’s degree from the University of California, Berkeley, and a Ph.D. in public policy from Harvard University. He has served as the James R. Carter Professor in the Department of Management at UNH’s Whittemore School of Business since 2000.

The session is open to the public, although public testimony will not be heard.