STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Friday, February 3, 2023

THE COMMITTEE ON Executive Departments and Administration

to which was referred SB 207

AN ACT

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Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

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BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

AMENDMENT # 0302s

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