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## Press Release



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### Governor Hassan's Statement on Bill to Combat Human Trafficking

CONCORD – After a bipartisan vote by the New Hampshire House of Representatives to pass House Bill 1628, relative to human trafficking involving persons under 18 years of age, Governor Maggie Hassan issued the following statement:

"We must always be working to combat the heinous crime of human trafficking, which is a global humanitarian crisis. In 2014, we passed bipartisan legislation to strengthen protections for human trafficking victims, and this measure builds on those efforts by establishing enhanced penalties for human trafficking of minors. I thank the House for passing this common-sense legislation, and I encourage the Senate to continue its efforts in the fight against this deplorable crime."

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