

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

July 10, 2019

Governor's Veto Message Regarding Senate Bill 106

By the authority vested in me, pursuant to part II, Article 44 of the New Hampshire Constitution, on July 10, 2019, I have vetoed Senate Bill 106, relative to the definition of political advocacy organization.

This bill would force organizations who seek to foster discussion on important issues of the day to register as a political advocacy organization. Registration would be required even if the organization does not expressly advocate the success or defeat of a candidate in an election. Such an expansion of government regulation of speech is unnecessary and would have a chilling effect on our citizens' rights to advocate for and support causes which are important to them.

For the reasons stated above, I have vetoed Senate Bill 106.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher T. Sununu

Governor