



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

July 10, 2019

Governor's Veto Message Regarding Senate Bill 218

By the authority vested in me, pursuant to part II, Article 44 of the New Hampshire Constitution, on July 10th, 2019, I have vetoed Senate Bill 218, relative to duties of the commissioner of transportation regarding air navigation facilities.

This bill is a well-intentioned attempt to establish NH Department of Transportation's regulatory authority over small drones. Unfortunately, we have heard technical concerns related to discrepancies between state and federal law. If we are making noncompliance with federal regulations a violation of state law, we should be certain that all technical issues are worked out. We should take more time to improve this bill and come back to it next year.

For the reasons stated above, I have vetoed Senate Bill 218.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christopher T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu
Governor