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February 9, 2021

The Honorable Gary Daniels, Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

**RE: SB 127 - AN ACT adopting omnibus legislation on appropriations.**

Dear Chair Daniels and Members of the Committee:

RSA 483-A established the New Hampshire Lakes Management and Protection Program and the Lakes Management Advisory Committee (LMAC) to complement and reinforce existing state and federal water quality laws. Within its responsibilities of advising the NHDES Commissioner and the department, the LMAC reviews and takes positions on legislation pertaining to New Hampshire's lakes. The LMAC appreciates the opportunity to comment on Senate Bill 127.

At the meeting of the LMAC on January 11, 2021, the LMAC voted to support LSR 1028, which has become section VIII of SB 127. This bill provides two fiscal years of funding to NHDES for eligible municipal wastewater projects. The LMAC has taken the standing position that funding of wastewater projects is in the public good based on the positive impact these projects have on the water quality of New Hampshire's lakes.

The LMAC is a legislatively created body of stakeholders, in support of lakes, representing the NH Lakes Association, conservation commissions, scientific community, conservation community, planning boards, Business and Industry Association, tourism industry, state conservation committee, NH Municipal Association, fishing interests, NH Fish & Game Commission, NH Association of Realtors, Marine Trades Association, and several state agencies. Committee members are appointed by the Governor and Council or the head of the state agency and are charged with supporting the legislative intent of the Lakes Management and Protection Program.

**In conclusion, the LMAC supports SB 127, section VIII for the reasons stated above.** Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Should you have further questions about this letter, please feel free to contact me at (603) 867-9299 or [appliedforce52@gmail.com](mailto:appliedforce52@gmail.com).

Respectfully,



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Chair

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