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BY HIS EXCELLENCY
CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR

Emergency Order # 50 Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09 and 2020-10

Temporary modification of travel expense allowance for members of the General Court

WHEREAS, RSA 14:15-a, II provides that a "member of the general court shall be allowed compensation for actual travel expenses of the round trip to and from the member's home to the state house in Concord," and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the health risks associated with a large gathering in Representatives Hall, the New Hampshire House of Representatives plans to convene at the Whittemore Center in Durham, NH on Thursday, June 11th and potential future dates to allow for implementation of public health recommendations such as appropriate social distancing; and

WHEREAS, the Speaker of the House has requested that the Governor issue an order to ensure that members of the House have the ability to receive reimbursements for actual travel expenses incurred for trips to and from a member's home to the Whittemore Center in Durham, NH.

Now therefore, pursuant to Section 18 of Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09 and 2020-10, it is hereby ordered, effective immediately, that:

1. All members of the general court shall, with the approval of the presiding officers of their respective legislative bodies, be permitted to receive reimbursements for mileage and actual travel expenses incurred for trips to and from a member's home to any location at which a member's body convenes. Mileage reimbursements shall be at rates consistent with those provided in RSA 14:15-a, II (b).

2. The provisions of RSA 14:15-a and any other statute or rule that would conflict with Paragraph 1 of this Order are hereby suspended.

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3. This Order shall remain in effect for the duration of the State of Emergency declared in Executive Order 2020-04 or until this Order is terminated, whichever shall occur first.

Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this 9th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and twenty, and the independence of the United States of America, two hundred and forty-four.

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