Everything you need to know about SB246 -

# MOMNIBUS 2.0

Together, we can support our moms

# The Problem:

New Hampshire moms continue to face large gaps in maternal health and wellness. Behavioral health, including substance overdoses, is the leading cause of maternal mortality in New Hampshire. In the past two decades, 11 maternity wards in the state have closed. As Granite Staters continue to face threats to our already-fragile maternal health ecosystem, it is time for us to once again stand up to support our moms.

### The Solution:

This legislative session, a group of bipartisan lawmakers are introducing Momnibus 2.0, a bill to support moms in the Granite State. This bill will:

#### 1. Improve Maternal Mental Health

The bill would improve maternal mental health screening, reduce barriers to accessing mental health care, and ensure providers are equipped with the support they need to address maternal depression.

#### 2. Support Moms Across New Hampshire

This bill supports independent birth centers and trains EMS providers in rural communities on labor and delivery emergencies.

#### 3. Strengthen Workforce Protections

The bill will ensure job security for Granite Staters using employer-sponored family leave and provide leave for parents attending postpartum and pediatric appointments.

#### 4. Expand Family Supports

The bill will support families by expanding access to home visits and launching a study on perinatal peer support.

## - Fast Facts -



62% of pregnancy-related deaths in NH are caused by substance misuse and co-occuring mental health complications.



Depression and anxiety are the most common complications in pregnancy and postpartum, affecting 1 in 5 mothers.