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Representative Kane maintains perfect voting record

Shrewsbury Republican casts 152 consecutive roll call votes in first half of 2015-2016 session

BOSTON—House Minority Leader Bradley H. Jones, Jr. (R-North Reading) congratulated State Representative Hannah Kane (R-Shrewsbury) for maintaining a perfect voting record for the first half of the 2015-2016 legislative session. The freshman legislator participated in all 152 roll call votes cast in the House of Representatives between her swearing-in on April 8, 2015 and November of 2015, a 100% voting record.

Representative Kane cast votes this session on a number of key policy issues including: a fentanyl trafficking bill that imposes a prison sentence of up to 20 years for manufacturing, distributing or dispensing more than 10 grams of fentanyl or any of its derivatives; a statewide “Stolen Valor Act” to prosecute individuals who falsely claim to be a veteran or recipient of a military honor in order to obtain money, property or other tangible benefits; legislation limiting the amount of time Level 2 and Level 3 sex offenders can secure a stay of final classification pending a court appeal, and mandating an expedited hearing process whenever a stay is granted; and legislation raising the private and public net metering cap to encourage more solar energy projects across the state.

Additionally, the Shrewsbury lawmaker registered votes on legislation regulating secondary metal dealings; clearing titles to foreclosed properties; and reforming the state’s public records law.

“As an elected representative of the people of the Eleventh Worcester District, it is my duty to not only be present at each formal session but well informed of the matters pending before the House of Representatives,” said Representative Hannah E. Kane. “My constituents play a key role in keeping me apprised of their views and experiences on issues that are of great importance to them. I encourage them to continue to contact me so that through research, briefings and their input I can continue to cast votes in the best interest of the residents I represent. It is truly an honor to serve on behalf of the towns of Shrewsbury and Westborough.”

Representative Kane further reinforced her commitment to the communities that comprise the Eleventh Worcester District by voting in support of significant funding increases in local aid for cities and towns in the Fiscal Year 2016 budget. This year’s budget includes:

- \$4.5 billion in Chapter 70 education aid, an increase of \$111.2 million;
- \$979.8 million in unrestricted general government aid, an increase of \$34 million;

- \$271.7 million for the special education Circuit Breaker, an increase of \$18.3 million, which funds the state’s share of special education aid for local school districts at 75%;
- \$59 million for regional school transportation, an increase of \$7.5 million; and
- an additional \$80.5 million set aside for charter school reimbursements to cities and towns, an increase of \$3.6 million.

“Representative Kane has served as a member of the House of Representatives for less than a year, but in that short time she has distinguished herself as a highly-effective legislator for her constituents,” said Representative Jones. “The residents of the Eleventh Worcester District are fortunate to have such a tireless advocate working on their behalf day in and day out at the State House.”

Representative Kane currently serves on the Joint Committees on Transportation and Public Health, and on the House Committees on Personnel & Administration and Redistricting.

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