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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

**REQUESTED ACTION**

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to grant a salary increase to Nancy J. Smith, as an Assistant Attorney General (Position #9U288, Appropriation #02-20-20-201010-2620-013-500132), from a salary level of \$106,378.34 to a salary level of \$108,000 **retroactive** to July 1, 2019 upon Governor and Executive Council approval.

**EXPLANATION**

In accordance with the 2001 N.H. Laws Chapter 158, Section 101, and 2018 N.H. Laws Chapter 162, Section 14, this request seeks your approval to grant a salary increase for Assistant Attorney General Nancy J. Smith. This item is **retroactive** because funds in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 biennium budget were not available to submit this request prior to July 1, 2019.

Ms. Smith lives in Hooksett. She received her law degree from the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law in 1983. She was an associate at the Los Angeles law firm of Solish, Jordan & Wiener from 1987 through 1992. She joined the Department of Justice in 1992 as an attorney in the Civil Bureau, and was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General that same year. Ms. Smith was designated as a Senior Assistant Attorney General in 2000. She was designated as the Civil Bureau's Deputy Litigation Chief in 2006 and designated as the Chief of Client Counseling in 2015. Ms. Smith became the Director of Transparency in 2019. Her salary will increase by \$1,621.66, from 106,378.34 to \$108,000. I will continue her assignment in the Civil Bureau.


RSA 94:1-a(1)(c)(3) provides that designation of positions, salary levels, and salary increases for attorneys at the Department of Justice shall be determined by the Attorney General,

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subject to approval of the Governor and Council, within appropriations made to the Department of Justice.

I respectfully urge your favorable consideration of this request. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



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