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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 Brandon H. Garod, as an Assistant Attorney General (Position 9U223, Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2611-013-500132), from a salary level of \$83,000 to a salary level of \$100,000 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 Brandon H. Garod. 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.

Mr. Garod lives in Lee. He received his law degree from the University of Maine School of Law in 2012. Mr. Garod was an attorney at the Law Office of Harvey J. Garod, Meredith, New Hampshire from 2012 through 2013. He was an Assistant County Attorney for Carroll County from 2013 through 2014 and for Rockingham County from 2014 through 2016. He joined the Department of Justice in July 2016 as an attorney in the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau. He was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General in July 2017 and was designated as a Senior Assistant Attorney General and Bureau Chief of the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau in May 2019. Mr. Garod's salary will increase by \$17,000, from \$83,000 to \$100,000. I will continue his assignment as Chief of the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau.

RSA 94:1-a(I)(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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