



## Caucus Leadership

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# NEW HAMPSHIRE LEGISLATIVE SPORTSMEN'S CAUCUS

The bipartisan and bicameral New Hampshire Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus was officially launched in 2009 and was the 37th caucus to join the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC). Representative Dennis Abbot was the first Chair of the Caucus, which in its inaugural year consisted of 32 bipartisan members. Now in its 12th year, the Caucus has grown to 50 members and is led by Co-Chairs Senators Kevin Cavanaugh and Bob Giuda, and Representatives Jeff Goley and John Klose - all of whom have played instrumental roles in developing the Caucus into such a success. Representative Goley also serves as an elected member and Vice President of the NASC Executive Council. In November of 2018, the New Hampshire Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus hosted nearly 50 bipartisan legislators from more than 25 states in Bretton Woods, NH for the 15th Annual NASC Sportsman-Legislator Summit. Along with the legislators from across the nation, another 150 attendees - including Governor Chris Sununu - attended the Summit to discuss key sportsmen-related policy items impacting our nation's sportsmen and women.

## Policy Highlights

- Caucus leadership has routinely fought and defeated anti-sportsmen's proposals, such as bans on recreational trapping and predator hunting tournament prohibitions.
- Over the past several years, members of the Caucus have championed efforts to kill proposed legislation that would alter the composition of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission.
- Members of the Caucus continuously fight toward the protection of sporting dogs in a variety of ways, including killing restrictive kennel legislation, and promoting bills that would implement harsh penalties for the theft of a dog or the unauthorized removal of its electronic collar.

## Economic Impact and Conservation Funding

- Hunters and anglers support nearly as many jobs in New Hampshire as the University System of New Hampshire, the state's largest employer (4,537 vs. 4,743).
- Spending by sportsmen and women in New Hampshire generated \$31 million in state and local taxes in 2011 - that's enough to support the average salaries of 720 firefighters.

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