

STATEMENT

Stefany Shaheen has consistently supported higher taxes. She has supported higher property taxes, tax increases on workers and small business owners, and voted in favor of the first budget in Portsmouth history to exceed \$100 million which raised property taxes and city parking costs.

Verification

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OBBB EFFECTS ON NH-01

The OBBB Prevented A 20% Tax Hike On The Average NH-01 Taxpayer. “The average taxpayer in NH-01 would see a 20% tax hike if the Trump Tax Cuts expire.” (“Key Individual Tax Policies From The Trump Tax Cuts Set To Expire For NH-01 Constituents,” [United States House Committee On Ways And Means](#), Accessed 3/4/26)

The Average Family Of Four In NH-01 Would Have Seen A \$2,237 Increase On Their Taxes If The OBBB Failed To Pass. “A family of 4 making \$98,681, the median income in NH-01, would see a \$2,237 tax increase if the Trump Tax Cuts expire.” (“Key Individual Tax Policies From The Trump Tax Cuts Set To Expire For NH-01 Constituents,” [United States House Committee On Ways And Means](#), Accessed 3/4/26)

The OBBB Prevented Over 75,000 Families From Having Their Child Tax Credit Cut In Half, Over 90% Of Taxpayers From Having Their Guaranteed Deductions Slashed In Half, And Over 65,000 Small Businesses From Being Hit With A 43.4% Tax Rate. (“Key Individual Tax Policies From The Trump Tax Cuts Set To Expire For NH-01 Constituents,” [United States House Committee On Ways And Means](#), Accessed 3/4/26)

Impact on NH-01 Residents by the Numbers	
75,830	NH-01 families would see their household’s Child Tax Credit cut in half.
91%	of NH-01 taxpayers would see their Guaranteed Deduction slashed in half.
65,780	Small Businesses in NH-01 would be hit with a 43.4% tax rate if the 199A Small Business Deduction expires.
13,904	NH-01 taxpayers would be impacted by the return of the Alternative Minimum Tax.
1,221	Family-Owned Farms in NH-01 would have their Death Tax Exemption slashed in half next year.

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"The City Council voted 6-3 to pass a \$101 million fiscal year 2016 budget Monday night, the first time ever the city has passed a budget in excess of \$100 million. Mayor Robert Lister, Assistant Mayor Jim Splaine, and councilors Stefany Shaheen, Brad Lown, Eric Spear and Chris Dwyer voted for the budget." (Jeff McMenemy, "City passes first \$100M budget," [SeacoastOnline](#), 6/8/15)

Shaheen Called On Those Voting Against The Budget To Say What They Would Cut.

"Shaheen, who voted for the budget, pointed out that the City Council voted to cut an additional \$412,000 from the budget Monday night. They also added \$25,000 to the police budget to help solve unsolved older or so-called 'cold' murder cases in the city. Shaheen also called on councilors who voted against the budget to say why and 'what you would cut.'" (Jeff McMenemy, "City passes first \$100M budget," [SeacoastOnline](#), 6/8/15)

The Budget Increased The Property Tax Rate By 38 Cents. "After the roughly \$412,000 in cuts the City Council approved Monday, the \$101 million budget represents a roughly 38 cent increase in the property tax rate, according to City Manager John Bohenko." (Jeff McMenemy, "City passes first \$100M budget," [SeacoastOnline](#), 6/8/15)

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2. Report Back Re: Parking Rates at High Hanover Parking Garage

Councilor Spear moved to amend the parking rates at High Hanover Parking Garage by increasing the hourly rate from \$0.75 to \$1.00 and eliminate the first hour free parking (does not affect residents free parking on Sundays) with the change to take effect on March 3, 2014, seconded by Councilor Shaheen.

(City Council Meeting, [Portsmouth, NH](#), 2/3/14)

Shaheen Said She Heard From Citizens That Giving Away The First Hour Free "Didn't Make Sense" And Said The Rate Is Still Lower Than In Other Communities. (City Council Meeting, [Portsmouth, NH](#), 2/3/14)

Councilor Shaheen stated she brought this forward because she had heard from many citizens that it didn't make sense to give away the first hour free of charge and that the rate is still markedly lower than other communities and parking is a precious commodity and is glad that we are moving forward with Option C.

(City Council Meeting, [Portsmouth, NH](#), 2/3/14)