

U.S. House, District 1

Open seat (Chris Pappas running for Senate).

Anthony DiLorenzo

REPUBLICAN · OPEN SEAT

Portsmouth auto dealer and real estate developer.

Stefany Shaheen

DEMOCRAT · OPEN SEAT

Health care advocate, small-business co-founder and former Portsmouth city councilor.

Where the candidates stand on the issues Pope Leo XIV has raised, in their own words and votes. Bracketed numbers link to sources. We do not rate, score, or endorse candidates.

WAR & PEACE

POPE LEO XIV *Leo invited citizens of every country involved in the war with Iran to contact their leaders and members of Congress “to work for peace and to reject war and violence.”* [Remarks at Castel Gandolfo, Apr. 7, 2026](#) (Vatican News via [The Good Newsroom](#))

ANTHONY DILORENZO

Says the Iran conflict “has gone on far too long, and it’s time to bring our troops home.” Calls Israel an important ally while retaining U.S. independent judgment; backs peace efforts in Ukraine.

[1] [WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues](#)

[2] [DiLorenzo campaign: Issues](#)

STEFANY SHAHEEN

Would vote to end the Iran war and bring troops home; supports a two-state solution and ending the humanitarian crisis in Gaza.

[1] [WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues](#)

AI & THE DIGNITY OF WORK

POPE LEO XIV *“No one can be reduced to productivity, to cognitive performance, or to mere data.”* [Magnifica Humanitas presentation, May 25, 2026](#)

ANTHONY DILORENZO

Supports federal AI regulation that keeps the U.S. “at the forefront” while protecting privacy, jobs and national security.

[1] [WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues](#)

STEFANY SHAHEEN

Opposes insurers and Medicare using AI to deny care; supports a federal AI “floor, not a ceiling” and a data center moratorium. Backs prevailing wage, apprenticeships and workers’ rights.

[1] [WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues](#)

[2] [Shaheen campaign: Priorities](#)

[3] [Shaheen campaign: Data center moratorium](#)

THE POOR & THE SAFETY NET

POPE LEO XIV *The preferential choice for the poor is “a source of extraordinary renewal both for the Church and for society.”* [Dilexi Te, Oct. 4, 2025](#)

ANTHONY DILORENZO

Pledges to “fully support Social Security and Medicare,” protect child tax credits, and pursue more competition in health care; opposes Medicare for All.

[1] [WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues](#)

[2] [DiLorenzo campaign: Issues](#)

STEFANY SHAHEEN

Supports Medicare for All and expanding Medicare to cover dental, vision and hearing; opposes raising the Social Security retirement age and would lift the payroll wage cap.

[1] [WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues](#)

[2] [Shaheen campaign: Priorities](#)

LIFE OF THE UNBORN

POPE LEO XIV *Abortion “cuts short a growing life and refuses to welcome the gift of life.”* Address to the Diplomatic Corps, Jan. 9, 2026

ANTHONY DILORENZO

Opposes federal abortion legislation and says he would “respect New Hampshire’s laws.”

[1] DiLorenzo campaign: Issues

STEFANY SHAHEEN

Describes needing an abortion procedure during a miscarriage and pledges to “always and tirelessly fight” for abortion access and reproductive rights.

[1] Shaheen campaign: Priorities

THE DEATH PENALTY

POPE LEO XIV *Someone who opposes abortion but favors the death penalty “is not really pro-life.”* AP via PBS NewsHour, Sept. 30, 2025

ANTHONY DILORENZO

No public position found.

STEFANY SHAHEEN

No public position found.

IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

POPE LEO XIV *“Defending human life also includes welcoming, protecting and assisting immigrants.”* Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026

ANTHONY DILORENZO

Supports border security and immigration enforcement plus reform that streamlines legal immigration and admits enough workers for businesses.

[1] WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues

[2] DiLorenzo campaign: Issues

STEFANY SHAHEEN

Rejects mass deportation; supports comprehensive reform protecting Dreamers and asylum seekers. Wants ICE overhauled — body cameras, no masks, no warrantless searches, no raids in schools, churches or hospitals.

[1] WMUR: Where 2026 NH-1 candidates stand on the issues

[2] Shaheen campaign: Priorities

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY & EDUCATION

POPE LEO XIV *Religious freedom is “the right of every person to worship according to conscience.”* Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026

ANTHONY DILORENZO

No public position found.

STEFANY SHAHEEN

Proposes removing barriers for faith-based community organizations to participate in housing programs; opposes ICE raids in churches.

[1] Shaheen campaign: Priorities

CARE FOR CREATION

POPE LEO XIV *“We cannot love God, whom we cannot see, while despising his creatures.”* AP, Oct. 1, 2025

ANTHONY DILORENZO

Favors a natural gas pipeline from Pennsylvania and criticizes reliance on subsidized wind and solar; backs energy independence “without subsidies.”

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[2] DiLorenzo campaign: Issues

STEFANY SHAHEEN

Calls for expanding local solar, wind and hydro, grid upgrades and PFAS cleanup, and opposes federal rollbacks of EPA and clean-energy programs.

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