



New Hampshire Pollster Available To Discuss Tightening Of State's Congressional Races

Two Republican Incumbents In Danger Of Losing Seats

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DURHAM, N.H. -- Andrew Smith, associate research professor of political science at the University of New Hampshire and director of the UNH Survey Center, is available to discuss the latest polling data that suggests that New Hampshire's two Republican congressmen may be in danger of losing their seats next Tuesday in the mid-term elections.

According to the latest poll released by the UNH Survey Center, Republican Congressman Charlie Bass is eight points behind Democratic challenger Paul Hodes, and Republican Congressman Jeb Bradley leads Democratic challenger Carol Shea-Porter by five points.

"If one is defeated it will be a symptom of the national mood against Republicans and of the undeniable demographic changes in the state," Smith said. "This year's election could be for Democrats in New Hampshire what the 1994 election was for Republicans in the South."

Additional information about the poll is available at <http://www.unh.edu/survey-center/trk110206.pdf>.