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Senator Saland's Legislation to Strengthen Sex Offender Laws Passes Senate

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Senator Steve Saland (R, I, C - Poughkeepsie) today announced that the Senate has passed his legislation S.1418 which would prohibit convicted sex offenders from working or volunteering at any facility where such employment would allow the offender unsupervised access to residential living quarters.

"While current law provides comprehensive residential prohibitions, it lacks similar employment restrictions. The law goes to great lengths to restrict convicted sex offenders from living in our neighborhoods, yet allows convicted offenders to work in our homes without our knowledge or supervision," said Senator Steve Saland. "S.1418 is not intended to bar one's ability to secure a livelihood, but to exclude those positions in which convicted sex offenders have unsupervised access to residences."

The bill has been sent to the Assembly for consideration.