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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT establishing a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission.

SPONSORS: Rep. Merner, Coos 7; Rep. Abrami, Rock. 19

COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT establishing a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 49:1 New Section; Study Commission; Assessing of Power Generation and Utility Transmission.
2 Amend RSA 72 by inserting after section 8-e the following new section:
3 72:8-f Study Commission on the Assessing of Power Generation and Utility Transmission. There is
4 established a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission.
5 I. The commission shall:
6 (a) Determine the most accurate methodology for assessing power generation assets and
7 utility transmission.
8 (b) Compare the efficacy of the department of revenue administration approach to assessing
9 the assets of the 59 power generation facilities with the approaches utilized by the municipalities.
10 (c) Understand how other states handle the assessing of power generation facilities and
11 utility transmission for property tax purposes.
12 (d) Recommend a unified approach to be utilized by both the department of revenue
13 administration and municipalities, which should include confidential data reporting requirements by the
14 power generation companies for the methodology chosen.
15 II. The commission shall consist of the following members:
16 (a) Three members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be from the science,
17 technology and energy committee, one from the ways and means committee, and one member from the
18 minority party who shall be from either of the committees, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of
19 representatives.
20 (b) One member of the senate, appointed by the senate president.
21 (c) The chairperson of the assessing standards board, or designee.
22 (d) The commissioner of the department of revenue administration, or designee.
23 (e) One member appointed by the New Hampshire Municipal Association.
24 (f) One member appointed by the New England Power Generators Association (NEPGA).
25 (g) One member appointed by the New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials
26 (NHAAO).
27 (h) One member appointed by the Granite State Hydropower Association (GSHA).
28 III. The members of the study commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members.
29 The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named house member. The first meeting
30 of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. A majority of the
31 appointed members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

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1 IV. The commission shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to
2 the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the senate clerk,
3 the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2022.

4 49:2 Prospective Repeal. RSA 72:8-f, relative to the commission to study the assessing of power
5 generation and utility transmission, is repealed.

6 49:3 Effective Date.

7 I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect November 1, 2022.

 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: May 20, 2022

Effective Date:

I. Section 2 effective November 1, 2022

II. Remainder effective May 20, 2022