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### **New law makes it easier for out-of-state utility workers to help during NH disasters**

CONCORD, NH – Legislation waiving certain requirements for out-of-state utility workers to respond to New Hampshire emergencies is now law. Majority Leader Jeb Bradley (R-Wolfeboro), prime sponsor of SB 103, today made the following comments on the bill's passage:

“SB 103 is all about getting quicker response time for our residents who are without power during a disaster or other emergencies. Many times, utility workers must be brought in from other states to help restore power. In the past, they faced certain registration, licensing, and other tax requirements for performing temporary work here in New Hampshire. This situation created unnecessary slowdowns that undermined a utility's ability to restore services. New Hampshire is a beautiful state to live in, but we also experience Nor'easters and floods. Going forward, utilities will be able to respond more quickly to people's needs with less red tape, so I am pleased SB 103 is now law.

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