

REGULAR CALENDAR

March 3, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Majority of the Committee on Science, Technology and Energy to which was referred HB 1116,

AN ACT relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits. Having considered the same, report the same with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it is INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. Jeanine Notter

FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

**MAJORITY
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee:	Science, Technology and Energy
Bill Number:	HB 1116
Title:	relative to renewable energy customer- generators accounts and credits.
Date:	March 3, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill seeks to allow net metering customers with multiple accounts to share credits across accounts. This sharing would be difficult for utilities to track, increasing their costs, which would then be passed along to ratepayers. Such sharing would be very complex to administer. The majority believes that this would cause a billing nightmare that we do not wish to see materialize.

Vote 13-8.

Rep. Jeanine Notter
FOR THE MAJORITY

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

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Science, Technology and Energy

HB 1116, relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Jeanine Notter for the **Majority** of Science, Technology and Energy. This bill seeks to allow net metering customers with multiple accounts to share credits across accounts. This sharing would be difficult for utilities to track, increasing their costs, which would then be passed along to ratepayers. Such sharing would be very complex to administer. The majority believes that this would cause a billing nightmare that we do not wish to see materialize. **Vote 13-8.**

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Minority of the Committee on Science, Technology and Energy to which was referred HB 1116,

AN ACT relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits. Having considered the same, and being unable to agree with the Majority, report with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. Rebecca McWilliams

FOR THE MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

MINORITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Science, Technology and Energy
Bill Number:	HB 1116
Title:	relative to renewable energy customer- generators accounts and credits.
Date:	March 3, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill is enabling legislation to allow the monthly transfer of money earned by producing electricity to another account. Granite Staters who currently generate renewable energy can only apply the credits that they earn from their own electric production to another meter under the same utility provider once per year. This severely limits the customer generator's access to (in many cases significant) funds they have already earned to pay down other utility bills.

Rep. Rebecca McWilliams
FOR THE MINORITY

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1116

BILL TITLE: relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits.

DATE: March 1, 2022

LOB ROOM: 304

MOTIONS: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

Moved by Rep. Notter

Seconded by Rep. Harrington

Vote: 13-8

CONSENT CALENDAR: NO

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep Fred Plett, Clerk



2022 SESSION

Science, Technology and Energy

Bill #: HB1116 Motion: ITL AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 02/28/2022

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Vose, Michael Chairman	x		
Thomas, Douglas W. Vice Chairman	x		
Harrington, Michael D.	x		
Notter, Jeanine M.	x		
Merner, Troy E.	x		
Plett, Fred R. Clerk	x		
Berezhny, Lex	x		
Bernardy, JD	x		
Cambrils, Jose E.	x		
Ploszaj, Tom	x		
White, Nick D.	x		
Lewicki, John			x
Somssich, Peter F. Massimilla, Linda		x	
Cali-Pitts, Jacqueline A.	x		
Mann, John E.	x		
Oxenham, Lee Walker		x	
Vincent, Kenneth S. Telerski, Laura		x	
McGhee, Kat		x	
McWilliams, Rebecca J. Sykes, George		x	
Chretien, Jacqueline H.		x	
Pimentel, Roderick L.		x	



2022 SESSION

Science, Technology and Energy

Bill #: HB1116	Motion: ITL	AM #:	Exec Session Date: 02/28/2022
Parshall, Lucius			x
TOTAL VOTE:	13	8	1

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1116

BILL TITLE: relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits.

DATE: January 18, 2022

LOB ROOM: 306-308 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 1:35 p.m.

Time Adjourned: 2:00 p.m.

Committee Members: Reps. Vose, Thomas, Plett, Harrington, Notter, Merner, Berezhny, Bernardy, Cambrils, Ploszaj, Cali-Pitts, Mann, Oxenham, McGhee, McWilliams, Chretien, Pimentel and Parshall

Bill Sponsors:

Rep. McWilliams
Rep. Walz

Rep. Oxenham
Sen. Watters

Rep. Chretien

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. McWilliams, sponsor. She ran across an issue of emerging concern. Family owns and runs a farm in Concord. Solar system hooked up to barn. More than one electric meter – separate house meter. Would like to transfer excess credit to house meter where well pump is. Until will only allow once a year. Inserting a new paragraph 362A:9, customer generator once a month could elect to transfer credits. Don't mention utility, should be same utility. Potential for really large businesses could take huge advantage, reasonable to cap dollar value per year. Whether or not it should be limited to same town but she doesn't think so. Uniform across all utilities. Business customer generators only, or all customers? Billing complications? Pimental – Two bills – actual 3 one street-light. Residents may have 2 meters, one for electric heat, etc. Cali-Pitts – you are trying to help small businesses – how about contiguous property? McGhee – good idea to exercise credit, but why do you need to apply credit to another bill.

Donna Gamache, Eversource. Her apologies she didn't reach out, swamped. Cost recovery – She didn't take a position on bill, payout once a year manually, billing systems aren't in place. Group net metering, would need to decide to allow for cost recovery, Millions of dollars, if continued manually many more people would be needed. Group net metering would work differently. Oxenham – Two of 4 towns have solar array planning, is there a way to resolve it. Why should town boundary be of issue? Community aggregation could do it? Maybe. Pimental – cost issue – software upgrade one time expense, plus upkeep and maintenance. Cost recovery – NHPUC approval

Respectfully Submitted,

Rep. Fred Plett

House Remote Testify

Science, Technology and Energy Committee Testify List for Bill HB1116 on 2022-01-18

Support: 10 Oppose: 14 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 0

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State</u> <u>Email Address</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Non-Germane</u>	<u>Signed Up</u>
Watters, Senator David	Dover, NH david.watters@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	Myself	Support	No	No	1/12/2022 1:25 PM
Wilkerson, Glynn	Pelham, NH gdwilkerson@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/14/2022 12:09 PM
Thornton, Stephanie	Sanbornville, NH saythornton@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/14/2022 12:26 PM
Mullen, Jon	Nottingham, NH Jmullen23@hotmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/14/2022 1:43 PM
Georgia, Jeffrey	Pittsburg, NH tigervox@mac.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/14/2022 1:55 PM
O'Neil, Timothy	Dunbarton, NH tebayl@oneilconsultinginc.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/14/2022 5:51 PM
Smith, Jennifer	Pembroke, NH jaycmd7699@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	1/15/2022 8:04 AM
Townsend, William	Portsmouth, NH TownsendBillJ@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/15/2022 8:57 AM
Saum, Judith	Rumney, NH judithsaum@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	1/17/2022 7:23 AM
D'Arcy, Rosemary	Bristol, NH rvdarcy@gmail.com	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 11:22 AM
Schneider, Annie	Plymouth, NH highlandannie@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 1:52 PM
Beffa-Negrini, Patricia	Nelson, NH pbeffa@me.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	1/17/2022 2:34 PM
Sanderson, Leslie	Bristol, NH lesliesanderson@aol.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 4:21 PM

LaFontaine, Millie	Concord, NH Lafontainefamily@comcast.net	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 4:33 PM
Foss, Carol	Penacook, NH cfoss@nhaudubon.org	A Lobbyist	New Hampshire Audubon	Support	No	No	1/17/2022 4:35 PM
Baber, Kristine	Dover, NH kmbaber@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	1/17/2022 4:44 PM
Everett, Linnea	Hebron, NH evfamnc@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 7:30 PM
Petrusewicz, Carol	rochester, NH clmcc2befree@yahoo.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 8:49 PM
Richman, Susan	Durham, NH susan7richman@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	1/17/2022 9:58 PM
Cembalisty, Clara	Rochester, NH Cqsc43@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 11:44 PM
Cembalisty, Richard	Rochester, NH taxmanrick@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/17/2022 11:45 PM
Reardon, Donna	Concord, NH bugs42953@aol.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	1/18/2022 7:38 AM
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HB 1116 - AS INTRODUCED

2022 SESSION

22-2804

12/08

HOUSE BILL **1116**

AN ACT relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits.

SPONSORS: Rep. McWilliams, Merr. 27; Rep. Oxenham, Sull. 1; Rep. Chretien, Hills. 42; Rep. Walz, Merr. 23; Sen. Watters, Dist 4

COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

ANALYSIS

This bill allows a customer-generator with more than one account to have any surplus associated with one account credited to the customer-generator's other account.

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

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits.

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

1 1 New Paragraph; Net Energy Metering; Surplus Credit. Amend RSA 362-A:9 by inserting after
2 paragraph VI the following new paragraph:

3 VI-a. Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, a customer-generator with more than
4 one account may elect monthly to have any surplus associated with one account credited to the
5 customer-generator's other account or accounts.

6 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.