LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

HB410

Bill as Introduced

HB 410 - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

6Jan2022... 2216h

2021 SESSION

21-0458 10/04

HOUSE BILL

410

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

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Explanation:

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 One

AN ACT

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

- 1 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 established a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility 4 transmission. 5 6 I. The commission shall: (a) Determine the most accurate methodology for assessing power generation assets and 7 8 utility transmission. 9 (b) Compare the efficacy of the department of revenue administration approach to 10 assessing the assets of the 59 power generation facilities with the approaches utilized by the 11 municipalities. 12 (c) Understand how other states handle the assessing of power generation facilities and 13 utility transmission for property tax purposes. 14 (d) Recommend a unified approach to be utilized by both the department of revenue 15 administration and municipalities, which should include confidential data reporting requirements by 16 the power generation companies for the methodology chosen. 17 II. The commission shall consist of the following members: 18 (a) Three members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be from the 19 science, technology and energy committee, one from the ways and means committee, and one 20 member from the minority party who shall be from either of the committees, to be appointed by the 21 speaker of the house of representatives. 22 (b) One member of the senate appointed by the senate president. (c) The chairperson of the assessing standards board, or designee. 23 24 (d) The commissioner of the department of revenue administration, or designee. 25 (e) One member appointed by the New Hampshire Municipal Association. 26 (f) One member appointed by the New England Power Generators Association (NEPGA).
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- III. The members of the study commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named house member.

 The first meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section.

 A majority of the appointed members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

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

3 Effective Date.

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

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CHAPTER 49 HB 410 - FINAL VERSION

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| 6 | 49:3 Effective Date. |

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Approved: May 20, 2022 Effective Date:

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I. Section 2 effective November 1, 2022 II. Remainder effective May 20, 2022

Amendments

Energy and Natural Resources April 13, 2022 2022-1516s 10/08

Amendment to HB 410

- 1 Amend RSA 72:8-f, II as inserted by section 1 of the bill by inserting after subparagraph (h) the
- 2 following new subparagraph:

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(i) The chairperson of the assessing standards board, or designee.

Committee Minutes

SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE **Energy and Natural Resources**

Sen Kevin Avard, Chair Sen Bob Giuda, Vice Chair Sen James Gray, Member Sen David Watters, Member Sen Rebecca Perkins Kwoka, Member

Date: March 31, 2022

HEARINGS

| | | HEARINGS | | | |
|------------|---------------------|---|---------------|---------------------|--|
| | Thursday | • | 04/07/2022 | 2 | |
| | (Day) | (Date) | | | |
| Energy an | d Natural Resources | State House 103 | | 9:00 a.m. | |
| (Name of C | Committee) | (Place | e) | (Time) | |
| 9:00 a.m. | HB 169 | establishing a commission to study the removal of unused utility poles following the transition of equipment, lines, and cables to new utility poles. | | | |
| 9:15 a.m. | HB 410 | establishing a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission | | | |
| 9:30 a.m. | HB 490 | relative to the definitions of "game camera" and "hunting day" and relative to the use of game camera's. | | | |
| 9:45 a.m. | HB 543 | establishing a commission to study nuclear power and nuclear reactechnology in New Hampshire. | | | |
| 10:00 a.m. | HB 1005 | relative to the creation of a New l wood emerging market commission | | -grade timber and | |
| 10:15 a.m. | HB 1052 | relative to the number of rounds regardless of firearm capacity. | of ammunition | allowed for hunting | |
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| Sponsors: |
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Rep. K. Murray Rep. Cannon Rep. Grote Rep. Maggiore

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| HB 410 Rep. Merner | Rep. Abrami | | |
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| Rep. Ammon | Rep. Osborne | Rep. Vose | |
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| Rep. Thomas | Rep. Merner | Rep. Harley | Rep. Abrami |
| Rep. Vose | Sen. Carson | Sen. Bradley | |
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<u>Kevin A. Avard</u> Chairman

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee

Daley Frenette 271-3042

HB 410, establishing a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission

Hearing Date:

April 7, 2022

Members of the Committee Present: Senators Giuda, Gray, Watters and Perkins

Kwoka

Members of the Committee Absent : Senator Avard

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

Sponsors:

Rep. Merner

Rep. Abrami

Who supports the bill: Natch Greyes, NHMA, Representative Abrami, Rockingham-District 19, Kathy Fox, Great River Hydro, James Wheeler, Sansoucy Associates, Donna Gamache, Eversource, Representative Merner, Coos-District 7, Dan Dolan NEPGA, Representative Vose, Rockingham-District 9, Heidi Kroll, Brookfiled Power, Paul Worsowics, Granite State Hydropower Association, Eric Pauer.

Who opposes the bill: Forrest Beaudoin-Friede, Denise Cobb.

Who is neutral on the bill: None.

Summary of testimony presented:

Representative Merner, Coos 7

• Representative Merner stated that the reason for filing this bill was because HB 700 from four years ago was missing a vital piece relative to generation plants. When Eversource sold their generation, the companies that bought them did not file those taxes. This bill addresses the problem. The bill passed the House committee 20-1.

Representative Abrami, Rockingham-District 19

- This bill started out as a study committee. There were issues related to data being provided to assessors. The bill was retained and was worked on last fall. The power generators approached him and told him they have a real problem with the way that power generation facilities are being assessed by the municipalities. He approached the House Science, Technology and Energy Committee with this issue and asked if the bill could be amended to broaden it and make it a commission with members including legislators, power generators, municipalities, and the assessors.
- Several years ago, his committee received a bill that addressed telecom
 assessing. They worked on that bill until they got a formula for it in statute. He
 was also approached by the utilities to address problems involving electricity,
 water, and gas. The first meeting of that commission they agreed there was a
 problem to be solved.
- There are 59 generating facilities in the state. 7 fossil, 1 nuclear, 37 hydropower, 5 wind, 6 biomass, and 1 waste-to-energy. Some of these facilities are smaller than others so we have to address how to treat large facilities versus smaller ones.
- The bill also addresses transmission. Representative Abrami spoke with the DRA on how they do their assessments. The industry is concerned with why the DRA's assessments are different than the towns assessments. The bill aims to form this commission.
- Senator Perkins Kwoka asked if a recommended pilot rate would be a unified approach that municipalities could use. Representative Abrami stated that he does not want to jump to conclusions, but it may not be able to be a unified approach because of the Seabrook plant. The DRA uses a unified approach, and they have a methodology, but we have to look at the methodology as part of the bill. We will have assessing experts in the room to help address that and see if we can come up with a unified approach for generation. He believes transmission will be easier in that regard.
- Senator Perkins Kwoka asked if Representative Abrami would believe that other states have had unified approaches to this issue. Representative Abrami stated that one of the objectives of the commission is to survey other states to see how they approach this.

James Wheeler, Sansoucy Associates

- Sansoucy Associates is a firm that does special assessing including the types of facilities that this bill addresses. Mr. Wheeler expressed his support on behalf of his municipal clients.
- He is pleased that the bill has remained a reporting bill. The assessing process
 is largely a mathematical process, there are times when his company cannot get
 the information that it needs so they need to make assumptions.

Dan Dolan, NEPGA

• Mr. Dolan Spoke in support of the bill. His organization represents over 90 percent of the electric generating capacity across New England. Most of those facilities are in NH. They have started to see a widening of differences in valuations between municipal processes and the state through DRA. Their hope is that this study commission will provide an opportunity to evaluate why this is happening and to figure out a more common approach to this issue and then see if the state needs more guidance on those processes to hopefully create less volatility. It will also help cut down on the litigation risk for the facilities and municipalities.

DF Date Hearing Report completed: April 18, 2022

Speakers

Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee SIGN-IN SHEET

Date: 4/7/2022 Time

Time: 9:15 a.m.

HB 410

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

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Senate Remote Testify

Energy and Natural Resources Committee Testify List for Bill HB410 on 2022-04 Support: 3 Oppose: 2

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Title</u> | Representing | | Position |
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| Worsowicz, Paul | A Lobbyist | Granite State Hydropower Association (GSHA) | | Support |
| Kroll, Heidi | · · A Lobbyist | Brookfield Power | • | Support |
| Beaudoin-Friede, Forrest | A Member of the Public | Myself | | Oppose |
| Cobb, Denise | A Member of the Public | Myself | | Oppose |
| Pauer, Eric | A Member of the Public | Myself | | Support |

Testimony



George E. Sansoucy, PE, LLC

Engineers & Appraisers

April 7, 2022

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Hearing Regarding HB410 State House – Room 103 Concord, NH 03301

Thank you for the opportunity to speak today. I am here today as an employee of George E. Sansoucy, P.E., LLC, a firm that specializes in the assessment of Utility and Special Use properties and on behalf of our municipal clients, I wish to express our support for HB410 as currently written. In addition, I would offer the following:

- HB410 started out as a bill to appoint a commission to study the requirements for reporting information,
 required for property valuation, by utility companies.
- The bill has been amended to include much more but thankfully, it still includes reporting.
- To underscore the need, I would share that at times, the information my company needs to perform a valuation is voluntarily provided. Unfortunately, many times it is not. And the reason we have been given by several companies is that, "We are not required by law to provide this information, so we are not going to provide it."
- If the fundamental intent of this bill is to produce accurate valuations, then it follows that one of the things
 required to do so is the reporting of accurate and complete information.

Accordingly, we support the bill as written.

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James A. Wheeler, P.E.

George Sansoucy, P.E., LLC d/b/a Sansoucy Associates



MEMO

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: The New England Power Generators Association

RE: New Hampshire's Assessment of Electric Generation Assets

DATE: March 2022

The New England Power Generators Association (NEPGA)¹ has identified a punitive taxation issue regarding the assessment of electric generation assets in New Hampshire that harms local investments. Specifically, current state law does not provide a consistent framework for the appraisal of generation assets. In the absence of clear statutory direction, power plant owners and local governments experience volatility and uncertainty in local assessments, as well as the prospect of burdensome appeals and litigation. To begin the process to address this matter, NEPGA worked with the House Science, Technology, and Energy Committee to adopt an amendment to HB 410, a bill retained in the Committee worked on in the Fall of 2021. The bill has been passed by the House and is now before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee. The Bill as amended, establishes a study commission to fully examine assessment of electric generation assets in New Hampshire, report its findings, and recommend legislation to address these issues.

Background

Electric generation assets are subject to taxation for local school, municipal, district and county taxation. Generation assets are also centrally assessed by the Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) for state property tax purposes. Under these two regimes, generator taxpayers often receive different market values for any given year — and sometimes those values are markedly different, in large measure because different governmental entities are performing separate valuations. The result is duplicative and inconsistent results that lead to uncertain and volatile assessments that expose generation asset owners and host cities and towns to the potential for lengthy appeals and litigation. The legislature has addressed this issue to provide consistency across the state and further certainy for the regulated electric and gas utilities in past sessions. That work will likely offer guidance for this effort.

Current Situation

Generation assets are currently taxed by the DRA for purposes of the state utility property tax and by local selectmen for purposes of local property taxes.

For purposes of the State Utility Property Tax:

- Utility is defined as anyone engaging in the "generation, production, supply, distribution, transmission, or transportation of electric power or natural gas, crude petroleum and refined petroleum products or combinations thereof, water, or sewage." (RSA 83-F:1)
- The statute requires the commissioner to "determine the market value of utility property for the purposes of this chapter by utilizing generally accepted appraisal methods and techniques. Market value means the property's full and true value as defined under RSA 75:1 (RSA 83-F:3).

For purposes of Local Government Taxation:

 RSA 75:1, referenced in RSA 83-F:3 above, requires selectmen to appraise "all other taxable property" at its market value, which is defined as "the property's full and true value as the same would be appraised in payment of a just debt due from a solvent debtor."

While the statutes define the market value of property identically under both tax regimes, the results of the two appraisals are often starkly different due to significantly different appraisal methodologies.

The DRA uses the Income Approach, which considers net cash flow, investor rate of return, and the market value of an asset. The Income Approach is regarded as an accurate methodology that does not rely upon inappropriate assumptions or "applestooranges" comparisons.

Third party appraisers acting on behalf of municipalities typically rely on the Cost Approach or Sales Comparison methodologies. The Cost Approach considers the cost of building the same power plant. However, the vast majority of plants in New Hampshire are not new – in fact, many have been in operation for decades – so the Cost Approach is not likely to provide an accurate picture of an asset's true value. The Sales Comparison considers what others are paying for similar plants. But the Sales Comparison methodology requires information about recent sales of generation assets in New Hampshire or New England, where power plant sales do not often occur.

Not surprisingly, these disparate approaches produce significantly different results. The DRA has compiled a list that compares the state and municipal values for 72 generation facilities in 52 New Hampshire cities and towns (see attachment). In fact, the DRA estimates that municipal values for the same generation property are 30% to 75%

higher than the DRA's values. The notable differences between state and local values, and even massive differences on a municipality-to-municipality basis, illustrate the need to study the issue and consider a consistent appraisal methodology to restore greater certainty and fairness to the assessment process.

Proposed Solution

Considering the issues outlined above, NEPGA believes the time is right to fully examine state and local valuations of generation assets and consider potential solutions to ensure greater accuracy and consistency in the appraisal of generation assets for local property tax purposes. HB 410, *An Act Establishing a Committee to Study the Requirements of Reporting by Utility Companies of Information Required for Valuation of Certain Utility Property for Purposes of RSA 72* offers a good first step in address these issues. The amendment would establish a commission charged with determining the most accurate method for assessing generation assets; compare the DRA's and municipalities' approaches for valuing generation property; consider how other states conduct these kinds of appraisals; and recommend a unified approach that the DRA and cities and towns would use to determine generation asset values. The commission would be comprised of House and Senate members, key administration officials, and individuals representing municipalities, electric generators, and assessors.

Conclusion

NEPGA's member companies recognize their responsibility to fairly contribute to the local communities that host their electric generation facilities. However, those obligations should be based on appropriate accounting principles and grounded in policy that balances support for municipalities and business. By enacting HB 410 as amended, the State has an opportunity to ensure greater accuracy and fairness in local tax assessments of generation property, which would benefit New Hampshire's cities and towns as well as asset owners. NEPGA thanks the Committee for its consideration of this matter and stands by to assist it with additional information as needed.

About NEPGA

NEPGA is the trade association that represents competitive electric generating companies in New England. NEPGA's member companies account for over 90% of all generating capacity throughout New England – and over 4,000 MW in New Hampshire. NEPGA companies provide thousands of well-paying, highly skilled jobs to the state's workforce, pay millions of dollars in state and local taxes, and contribute millions of dollars in income taxes paid by employees.

NEW HAMPSHIRE MERCHANT POWER GENERATING PLANTS

(as of 2020 tax year)

Total Count 59

of Plants TYPE / NAME

7 FOSSIL-FUEL
ESSENTIAL POWER NEWINGTON LLC
GRANITE RIDGE ENERGY LLC
GSP LOST NATION LLC
GSP MERRIMACK LLC
GSP NEWINGTON LLC
GSP SCHILLER LLC
GSP WHITE LAKE LLC

1 NUCLEAR (one plant, four partial owners)

HUDSON LIGHT & POWER DEPT GENERATION
MASS MUNICIPAL WHOLESALE ELECTRIC GENERATION
NEXTERA ENERGY SEABROOK LLC
TAUNTON MUNICIPAL LIGHTING CO GENERATION

37 HYDROELECTRIC

AMPERSAND GILMAN HYDRO LP

ASHUELOT RIVER HYDRO INC

BRIAR HYDRO ASSOCIATES

CLEMENT DAM HYDROELECTRIC LLC

CRP NH AMOSKEAG LLC

CRP NH AYERS ISLAND LLC

CRP NH CANAAN LLC

CRP NH EASTMAN FALLS LLC

CRP NH GARVIN FALLS LLC

CRP NH GORHAM LLC

CRP NH HOOKSETT LLC

CRP NH JACKMAN LLC

CRP NH SMITH LLC

DODGE FALLS ASSOCIATES LP

ENERGETIC ENTERPRISES INC

ERROL HYDRO ELECTRIC CO LLC

FIRSTLIGHT MA HYDRO LLC

FRANKLIN POWER LLC

GOODRICH FALLS HYDROELECTRIC

GREAT LAKES HYDRO AMERICA LLC

GREAT RIVER HYDRO LLC

GREGG FALLS HYDROELECTRIC ASSOCIATES LP

HDI ASSOCIATES I PARTNERSHIP

KTZ HYDRO LLC

LAKEPORT HYDROELECTRIC ONE LLC

MONADNOCK PAPER MILLS INC

NORTHWOODS RENEWABLES LLC

OTTER LANE HYDRO LLC

PEMBROKE HYDRO ASSOCIATES LP

PONTOOK OPERATING LP

SANDRO LLC

SFR HYDRO CORP

SILVER STREET HYDRO LLC

SPAULDING AVE INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX LLC

SQUAM RIVER HYDRO LLC

SUGAR RIVER POWER LLC

WHITE MOUNTAIN HYDROELECTRIC

5 WIND

ANTRIM ENERGY WIND LLC
GRANITE RELIABLE POWER LLC
GROTON WIND LLC
JERICHO POWER LLC
LEMPSTER WIND LLC

6 BIOMASS (Woodchips)

BERLIN STATION LLC
BRIDGEWATER POWER COMPANY LP
DG WHITEFIELD LLC
PINETREE POWER - TAMWORTH LLC
PINETREE POWER LLC
SPRINGFIELD POWER LLC

2 METHANE (Landfill Gas)

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WHEELABRATOR CONCORD COMPANY LP

Voting Sheets

Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee EXECUTIVE SESSION RECORD

2021-2022 Session

| Hearing Da | te: 4/7/22 | | Bill# H | B410 |
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| Executive S | ession Date: 4/12/22 | · | | |
| Motion of:_ | OTP | | Vote: | |
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Committee Report

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 13, 2022

THE COMMITTEE ON Energy and Natural Resources

to which was referred HB 410

AN ACT

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

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

AMENDMENT # 1516s

Senator Rebecca Perkins Kwoka For the Committee

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Daley Frenette 271-3042

FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 410, establishing a commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Rebecca Perkins Kwoka for the committee.

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| | | Docket of HB410 |
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| 01/10/2021 | Н | Introduced (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Science, Technology and Energy HJ 2 P. 46 |
| 01/21/2021 | Н | Public Hearing: 02/01/2021 11:00 am Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar: https://www.zoom.us/j/92752912485 / Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day (time permitting) from the time the committee is initially convened. |
| 03/23/2021 | Н | Retained in Committee |
| 09/07/2021 | Н | Subcommittee Work Session: 09/15/2021 10:00 am LOB 302-304 |
| 10/26/2021 | Н | Executive Session: 10/26/2021 10:00 a.m. LOB302-304 |
| 11/16/2021 | Н | Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment # 2021-2216h 10/26/2021 (Vote 19-2; RC) HC 48 P. 41 |
| 01/09/2022 | Н | Amendment # 2021-2216h: AA VV 01/05/2022 HJ 1 |
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