

HB 211 - AS INTRODUCED

2023 SESSION

23-0221

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HOUSE BILL **211**

AN ACT relative to a report by the department of energy on the effectiveness of the system benefits charge.

SPONSORS: Rep. D. Thomas, Rock. 16; Rep. Vose, Rock. 5

COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

ANALYSIS

This bill removes the department of environmental services from a report on the effectiveness of the system benefits charge.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT relative to a report by the department of energy on the effectiveness of the system benefits charge.

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

1 1 Electric Utilities; System Benefits Charge; Report. Amend RSA 374-F:4, VIII(f) to read as
2 follows:

3 (f) The [~~department of environmental services and the~~] department of energy shall
4 submit a report to the house science, technology, and energy committee, and the senate energy and
5 natural resources committee by October 1 of each year. The report shall concern the results and
6 effectiveness of the system benefits charge.

7 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

CONSENT CALENDAR

February 3, 2023

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on Science, Technology and Energy to
which was referred HB 211,**

**AN ACT relative to a report by the department of
energy on the effectiveness of the system benefits
charge. Having considered the same, report the same
with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO
PASS.**

Rep. Douglas Thomas

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Science, Technology and Energy
Bill Number:	HB 211
Title:	relative to a report by the department of energy on the effectiveness of the system benefits charge.
Date:	February 3, 2023
Consent Calendar:	CONSENT
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This is a housekeeping bill requested by the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES). When the Electric Oversight Committee was repealed last biennium, NHDES should have been removed from providing the Systems Benefits Charge Report to Science, Technology, and Energy Committee because that is now the responsibility of the NH Department of Energy. This bill removes NHDES from that reporting requirement.

Vote 20-0.

Rep. Douglas Thomas
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

Science, Technology and Energy

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 211

BILL TITLE: relative to a report by the department of energy on the effectiveness of the system benefits charge.

DATE: February 3, 2023

LOB ROOM: 302-304 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 11:10 a.m.

Time Adjourned: 11:17 a.m.

Committee Members: Reps. Vose, D. Thomas, Bernardy, Notter, Berezny, Ploszaj, Summers, Parshall, Muns, Noel and Cormen

Bill Sponsors:

Rep. D. Thomas

Rep. Vose

TESTIMONY

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

Rep Douglas Thomas introduced

- Correct error in eliminating DES
- From reporting requirement of DOE on System Benefits Charge

Griffin Roberge - DOE

- Supports

Mike Fitzgerald - DES

- Supports

John Mann - Alstead, self

- Energy efficiency is important
- Should advocate for Energy Efficiency

Respectfully Submitted,

Rep JD Bernardy, Clerk

House Remote Testify

Science, Technology and Energy Committee Testify List for Bill HB211 on 2023-02-03

Support: 3 Oppose: 41 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>
Hill, Bonnie	South Sutton, NH hillbonnie@aol.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/20/2023 2:33 PM
Opal, Susan	Richmond, NH SusanOpalWyatt@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/21/2023 9:04 AM
Beffa-Negrini, Patricia	Nelson, NH pbeffa@me.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/21/2023 1:10 PM
Gilman, Representative Julie	Exeter, NH julie.gilman@leg.state.nh.us	An Elected Official	Town of Exeter	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 11:17 AM
Reed, Barbara	North Swanzey, NH BDReed74@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 11:25 AM
Weber, Jill	Mont Vernon, NH jill@frajilfarms.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 3:54 PM
Larson, Ruth	Alton, NH ruthlarson@msn.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 4:04 PM
Nardino, Marie	Andover, NH mdnardino@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 5:16 PM
Moore, Susan	Franconia, NH susan.moore.franconia@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 5:53 PM
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Casino, Joanne	Concord, NH joannecasino@comcast.net	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 7:31 PM

Keegan, John Keegan	Boscawen, NH peoresnada@tds.net	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	1/22/2023 7:36 PM
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Liebowitz, Susan	Plainfield, NH supawali@hotmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/22/2023 8:38 PM
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Koch, Helmut	Concord, NH helmut.koch.2001@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/23/2023 1:51 PM
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McDonough, Jennifer	Merrimack, NH jen.g.mcdonough@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/23/2023 2:04 PM
McDonough, Thomas	Merrimack, NH tom.p.mcdonough@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/23/2023 2:06 PM
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Moccia, Lianne	LEBANON, NH lianne.moccia@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/23/2023 6:51 PM
Hennessey, Martha	Hanover, NH Msh4wt@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/23/2023 9:06 PM
King, Jordan	Milford, NH Jordan.king@outlook.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/27/2023 3:01 PM
Liebowitz, Susan	Plainfield, NH supawali@hotmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	1/28/2023 3:47 PM
Richardson, Daniel	Nashua, NH daniel6_22@comcast.net	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	2/1/2023 2:29 PM
Burke, Raina	Newton, NH raina.burke93@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	2/3/2023 12:53 AM
kwasnik, joseph	concord, NH jkwasnik25@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/3/2023 7:42 AM

Barbara Reed

I oppose the removal of the environmental department's input to the reports to be given to the house & senate.. This will not allow reporting regarding environmental concerns about energy issues.

Maura Willing

The current administration's ideas regarding what should be taught and not taught is unacceptable. As a former teacher I firmly believe ideas, even unpleasant ones, are the basis of a strong society.

Lianne Moccia

I oppose this bill.

Raina Burke

My bill has skyrocketed over the past few months. I audibly gasped when I opened my February statement. New Hampshire residents need to be protected from the volatility of the market.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 211

BILL TITLE: relative to a report by the department of energy on the effectiveness of the system benefits charge.

DATE: February 6, 2023

LOB ROOM: 302-304

MOTIONS: OUGHT TO PASS

Moved by Rep. D. Thomas

Seconded by Rep. Bernardy

Vote: 20-0

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep JD Bernardy, Clerk



2023 SESSION

Science, Technology and Energy

Bill #: 211 Motion: OTP AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 6 Feb 2023

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Vose, Michael Chairman			
Thomas, Douglas W. Vice Chairman			
Notter, Jeanine M.			
Harrington, Michael D.			
Merner, Troy E. <i>Dunn, Ron</i>			
Lewicke, John <i>Brown, Carroll</i>			
Berezhny, Lex			
Bernardy, JD Clerk			
Ploszaj, Tom			
Summers, James			
McGhee, Kat <i>Hambler, Joan</i>			
McWilliams, Rebecca J.			
Chretien, Jacqueline H. <i>Joch, Marly</i>			
Parshall, Lucius			
Caplan, Tony			
Muns, Chris			
Noël, Henry W.			
Thomas, Wendy E.N.			
Cormen, Thomas H			
Raynolds, Ned			
TOTAL VOTE:	20	0	