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**Senate supports bill to ease requirement for Rindge Trust Fund dispersal**

**Concord, NH** – The Senate today approved a bill that would allow the Town of Rindge to change the process allowing the town to access the Electric Trust Fund.

This fund was established following the sale of the town of Rindge's electric generation to Public Service of New Hampshire and required a minimum two-thirds yes vote to accept use of funds from 50% of the registered Rindge voters in order for the funds to be dispersed or accessible for town infrastructure projects.

The bill, SB 241 would change the funds access requirement to a simple majority vote. The bill allows funds to be accessed for a capital expenditure or improvement or the acquisition of property following a 3/5 yes vote in a town election.

"Passing this bill in the senate is a critical step in allowing the town of Rindge to use funds for capital or infrastructure projects that had been inaccessible because of impossibly strict access requirements," said Senator Kevin Avard (R-Nashua).

"The simple language change means a great deal for the town of Rindge and it is a responsible solution to a law that was excessively limiting the use of these funds," Avard added.

"I am glad to be able to work on legislation that directly and significantly impacts the community I represent and hope to see this change become a reality for the town of Rindge."

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