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SENATE BILL **51**

AN ACT establishing a committee to review subsidies for energy projects provided by the renewable portfolio standard.

SPONSORS: Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19; Sen. Giuda, Dist 2; Rep. Lewicke, Hills. 26; Rep. Carr, Hills. 26; Rep. Barry, Hills. 21; Rep. O'Day, Ches. 11; Rep. Seidel, Hills. 28

COMMITTEE: Energy and Natural Resources

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study subsidies for energy projects provided by the renewable portfolio standard.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Seventeen

AN ACT establishing a committee to review subsidies for energy projects provided by the renewable portfolio standard.

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

1 81:1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study subsidies for energy
2 projects provided by the renewable portfolio standard.

3 81:2 Membership and Compensation.

4 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

5 (a) Two members of the senate, one of whom shall be a member of the energy and
6 natural resources committee, appointed by the president of the senate.

7 (b) Three members of the house of representatives, 2 of whom shall be members of the
8 science, technology and energy committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

9 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
10 the duties of the committee.

11 81:3 Duties. The committee shall determine whether:

12 I. Energy producers are able to provide energy without subsidies.

13 II. Subsidies should be enhanced, maintained, reduced, lowered, or phased out.

14 III. It is in the public interest for the state to continue subsidies to protect ratepayers.

15 IV. To monitor dockets of the public utilities commission related to subsidies for energy
16 projects.

17 81:4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
18 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named senate
19 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this
20 section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

21 81:5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
22 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate
23 clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2017.

81:6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: June 02, 2017
Effective Date: June 02, 2017