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New Hampshire Senate Casts Bipartisan Vote to Move Comprehensive Net Metering Legislation Forward

CONCORD - Today, the Senate passed SB 13, an important comprehensive net metering legislation by voice vote. As amended, SB 13 mirrors the language and provisions of HB 365 which would have raised the limit on net metering from 1 to 5 megawatts. Despite bipartisan support Governor Sununu vetoed the measure in 2019.

After the vote, prime sponsor Senator Martha Fuller Clark (D-Portsmouth) released the following statement:

“After the governor’s short sighted veto of HB 365 last session, and his endorsement of fake and misleading net metering House legislation this week, I want to commend my Senate colleagues for passing SB 13, a truly comprehensive bipartisan net metering bill.

SB 13 will allow communities to take charge of their own energy futures. It is comprehensive net metering legislation that will expand the generator cap and open the door to both new and existing small renewable energy projects, keep our energy dollars in the state, provide good paying jobs and save ratepayers and tax payers money.

I want to thank the senate for their continued support of this critical measure that will grow renewable energy opportunities in our state and protect all New Hampshire ratepayers from volatile electric prices and increased transmission costs.

Today I’m proud that the Senate stands with the majority of Granite Staters who have called for and broadly support real efforts to expand renewable energy opportunities throughout our state.”

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