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## Statement by Senator Kevin Avard on SB40

**Concord, NH** - Senator Kevin Avard (R-Nashua), Chairman of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee issued the following statement on the passage of SB40, relative to participation in net energy metering by small hydroelectric generators:

"The Senate unanimously passed a bill yesterday to clarify the process for certain small New Hampshire hydro plants to participate in net metering.

"SB 40 clarifies the law we passed with bipartisan support in 2021 and ensures that we will be able to use locally produced hydropower to serve New Hampshire consumers.

"This is a small but important step to keeping more of our valuable New Hampshire energy instate and improving the Granite State's energy independence."

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