

HB 1577 - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT relative to the disclosure of utility customer data to municipalities for emergency response planning.

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COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

ANALYSIS

This bill allows public utilities to share individual customer data with municipal emergency management authorities for the limited purpose of emergency response planning and coordination.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT relative to the disclosure of utility customer data to municipalities for emergency response planning.

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

- 1 1 Customer Data in Emergency Situations. Amend RSA 363:38, V(b) to read as follows:
- 2 (b) Nothing in this section shall preclude a service provider from disclosing a customer's
- 3 individual data to a third party for system, grid, or operational needs, ***coordination with local***
- 4 ***emergency management directors***, or the research, development, and implementation of new rate
- 5 structures and tariffs, demand response, customer assistance, energy management, or energy
- 6 efficiency programs, provided that the service provider for contracts entered into after January 1,
- 7 2017, has required by contract that the third party implement and maintain reasonable security
- 8 procedures and practices appropriate to the nature of the information, to protect the personal
- 9 information from unauthorized access, use, destruction, modification, or disclosure, and to prohibit
- 10 the use of the data for a secondary commercial purpose not related to the primary purpose of the
- 11 contract without the express consent of the customer. ***Disclosure of a customer's data to local***
- 12 ***emergency management directors shall be exempt under RSA 91-A:5, IV.***
- 13 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.