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HOUSE BILL **1577**

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

SPONSORS: Rep. Drye, Sull. 7; Rep. Tenczar, Hills. 1; Rep. Foote, Rock. 13; Rep. Girard, Sull. 6; Rep. Bridle, Rock. 29; Rep. Roy, Rock. 31

COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows service providers to share individual customer data with a municipality's authorized public safety officials for emergency coordination purposes.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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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 a***
- 4 ***municipality's authorized public safety officials***, or the research, development, and
- 5 implementation of new rate structures and tariffs, demand response, customer assistance, energy
- 6 management, or energy efficiency programs, provided that the service provider for contracts entered
- 7 into after January 1, 2017, has required by contract that the third party implement and maintain
- 8 reasonable security procedures and practices appropriate to the nature of the information, to protect
- 9 the personal information from unauthorized access, use, destruction, modification, or disclosure, and
- 10 to prohibit the use of the data for a secondary commercial purpose not related to the primary
- 11 purpose of the contract without the express consent of the customer. ***Disclosure of a customer's***
- 12 ***data to a municipality's authorized public safety officials shall be exempt under RSA 91-***
- 13 ***A:5, IV.***
- 14           2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.