

HB 599 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **599**

AN ACT establishing a committee to examine weatherization initiatives for homes in New Hampshire.

SPONSORS: Rep. H. Howard, Straf. 4; Rep. Grote, Rock. 24; Rep. N. Murphy, Hills. 12; Rep. Rung, Hills. 12; Rep. Schultz, Merr. 29; Rep. Simpson, Rock. 33; Sen. Perkins Kwoka, Dist 21; Sen. Watters, Dist 4

COMMITTEE: Science, Technology and Energy

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ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to examine weatherization initiatives for homes in New Hampshire.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five*

AN ACT                    establishing a committee to examine weatherization initiatives for homes in New Hampshire.

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

1            1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study weatherization initiatives  
2 for homes in New Hampshire.

3            2 Membership and Compensation.

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

5            (a) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the  
6 house of representatives.

7            (b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

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

10          3 Duties. The committee shall study weatherization initiatives for homes, including but not  
11 limited to:

12            (a) Identifying the current state of weatherization in our state, including the number of  
13 homes that are properly weatherized and those that are not.

14            (b) Assessing the economic and environmental benefits of weatherization, such as  
15 reduced energy consumption, lower utility bills, and decreased greenhouse gas emissions.

16            (c) Analyzing existing weatherization programs and policies at the local, state, and  
17 federal levels to identify strengths, weaknesses, and areas for improvement.

18            (d) Engaging with stakeholders, including homeowners, contractors, energy experts, and  
19 community organizations, to gather input and recommendations.

20            (e) Developing a comprehensive set of recommendations and potential legislative  
21 proposals to promote and incentivize weatherization efforts in our state.

22          4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from  
23 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named house  
24 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this  
25 section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

26          5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed  
27 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house  
28 clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2025.

29          6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.