

HB 672-FN - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL            **672-FN**

AN ACT                to allow for off-grid electricity providers in New Hampshire.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Vose, Rock. 5; Rep. Ammon, Hills. 42; Rep. Bernardy, Rock. 36; Rep. Cormen, Graf. 15; Rep. Hill, Merr. 2; Rep. McFarlane, Graf. 18; Rep. Notter, Hills. 12; Rep. Osborne, Rock. 2; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Watters, Dist 4

COMMITTEE:          Science, Technology and Energy

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ANALYSIS

This bill defines "off-grid electricity providers" and establishes a specific category for off-grid electricity providers, exempting them from certain regulations as long as they remain independent from the regulated electric grid.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1 1 New Section; Off-Grid Electricity Provider. Amend RSA 374 by inserting after section 3-b the  
2 following new section:

3 374:3-c Off-Grid Electricity Provider.

4 I. In this section:

5 (a) "Off-grid electricity provider" means an entity, person, private company, electric  
6 cooperative, municipal agency, or otherwise, that engages in any combination of generating,  
7 transmitting, distributing, or selling electricity at retail to consumers; not connected to any existing  
8 regulated electric grid within the state, operating independently of existing utilities and other  
9 regulated entities, and does not cross state boundaries.

10 (b) "Begins operations" means the date on which the off-grid electricity provider first  
11 generates, transmits, distributes, or sells electricity within the state.

12 II. An off-grid electricity provider that begins operations on or after the effective date of this  
13 section shall be exempt from RSA 374. Each off-grid electricity provider shall remain subject to all  
14 other applicable laws and regulations, including RSA 162-H, unless specifically excluded from those  
15 laws or regulations by a separate act.

16 III. At anytime, if an off-grid electricity provider elects to connect to any portion of the  
17 existing regulated electric grid, it shall cease being an "off-grid electricity provider" and immediately  
18 become subject to the provisions of RSA 374.

19 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

**HB 672-FN- FISCAL NOTE  
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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Office of Legislative Budget Assistant states this bill has no fiscal impact on state, county and local expenditures or revenue.

**AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

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