

Amendment to SB 668-FN-A

1 Amend RSA 374-F:10, I as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 I. There is established a commission to investigate, in parallel with the work of the Gulf of  
4 Maine Intergovernmental Renewable Energy Task Force established by the Bureau of Ocean Energy  
5 Management (BOEM) study, the economic development opportunities for New Hampshire in supply  
6 chain needs, port capabilities, workforce development, energy procurement, transmission and  
7 storage, and fisheries and marine environment, to ensure the success of offshore wind in the Gulf of  
8 Maine. The commission may consider, at an appropriate time, in relation to the New Hampshire  
9 state energy strategy, outlined in RSA 4-E, how contracts with developers and utilities can deliver  
10 lower costs to ratepayers. The commission shall create working groups, including the offshore wind  
11 fisheries and marine environment working group, workforce working group, and the port facilities  
12 and supply chain working group, and after July 1, 2021 or after BOEM identifies potential sites for  
13 leasing, the procurement, transmission, financing, energy storage, renewable energy credits, and  
14 ratepayer benefits working group, to assist the commission in reaching its recommendations.  
15 Working group members and chairpersons shall be appointed by the chairperson of the commission  
16 in consultation with the commission, the governor, and any other parties deemed relevant by the  
17 commissioner.

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19 Amend RSA 374-F:10, II(d) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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21 (d) The commissioner of the department of business and economic affairs, or designee.

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23 Amend RSA 374-F:10, II as inserted by section 1 of the bill by inserting after subparagraph (w) the  
24 following new paragraph:

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26 (x) Two members representing offshore wind-related labor, one of whom shall be  
27 appointed by the IBEW and one of whom shall be appointed by the New Hampshire AFL-CIO.

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29 Amend RSA 12-O:52, II(a) as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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31 (a) Support the work of the New Hampshire members of the Intergovernmental  
32 Renewable Energy Task Force administered by the federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

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1 (BOEM).

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3 Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 12-O:52, II(c) as inserted by section 3 of the bill by  
4 replacing it with the following:

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6 (c) Assist the offshore wind commission to develop and implement offshore wind  
7 development strategies including:

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9 Amend RSA 12-O:52, II(d) as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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11 (d) Collaborate with key state agencies and partners on offshore wind industry  
12 development initiatives.

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14 Amend the bill by replacing sections 7-8 with the following:

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16 7 New Subparagraph; Offshore Wind Development Fund. Amend RSA 6:12, I(b) by inserting  
17 after subparagraph (358) the following new subparagraph:

18 (359) Moneys deposited in the offshore wind development fund established in RSA  
19 374-F:10, XI.

20 8 Appropriation. The sum of \$102,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 is appropriated  
21 to the department of business and economic affairs for deposit in the offshore wind development  
22 fund established in RSA 374-F:10, XI to support offshore wind development. Such funds shall be in  
23 addition to any other funds appropriated to the department of business and economic affairs. The  
24 governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not  
25 otherwise appropriated.