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## BY ONLINE PORTAL

February 14, 2025

The Honorable Michael Vose  
Chair, House Science, Technology and Energy Committee  
LOB Room 302-304  
Concord NH 03303

Dear Chairman Vose and Honorable Members of the Committee,

I am writing in support of HB 760, relative to utility default service.

This bill will reverse an egregious decision by the Public Utilities Commission that encourages utilities to engage in risky behavior when it comes to setting rates for the supply of electricity by allowing them to spread the negative consequences of those decisions across all ratepayers. This is not in the best interest of the public.

The PUC's mission statement suggests that it acts in the best interest of the public; however, its recent decision is not consistent with the values espoused in that statement. HB 760 will protect consumers by restoring electricity rate structures that appropriately limit how these risks are distributed.

Please vote to pass HB 760. Thank you for your consideration of this letter.

Sincerely,

Derek R. Ferland  
Sullivan County Manager

Cc: New Hampshire Association of Counties