

HB 1542-FN

I oppose HB 1542-FN for a number of reasons:

- The RPS fund is a key instrument for migrating from a fossil fuel-based energy system to a renewable energy system. Renewable energy is a lower cost and more sustainable than any other form of energy available. We should be encouraging the migration to a clean energy, lower cost future. Eliminating the ACP would reduce or eliminate the motivation for utilities to increase their use of renewable energy sources. This would be detrimental to best interests of NH residents by increasing electricity prices.
- The RPS funds are used to help offset the cost to retrofit NH homes and businesses for improved energy efficiency. It is estimated that 40% of total energy consumed in NH is for heating and cooling buildings. The RPS system is a method for helping building owners move towards a more sustainable future while lowering their operating costs. The program is working, let's please not break it.

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