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HB1542 1:00 PM Science & Technology - oppose

This bill, designed to do away with the Renewable Portfolio Standard, is misguided. At a time when energy demands are increasing (with AI use, etc.) we need to be encouraging an “all of the above” approach to energy, which should include encouraging renewable energy sources, not discouraging them.

History will look back at this time in favor of those who foresaw the power of renewables and invested in them and unfavorably to those who hid their heads in the sand and continued only with fossil fuels. 9 years ago, NH was a leader in renewable energy investment and now lags well behind all other New England states. Don't remove a last bastion of hope here.

Again, we ought to be encouraging the use of sustainable energy sources as the RPS is designed to do, not discouraging them. I urge you to vote this bill as ITL and reach toward a more comprehensive and sustainable energy future for our children and grandchildren.