The Governor's veto of SB365 & SB446 hurts NH.

SB365 provides a three-year bridge for NH’s six independent biomass power plants and the state's only waste-to-energy facility by requiring utilities to purchase power at a 20% discount from the default service rate. SB446 increases the allowable size of an electric generation project that a business, school, or municipality can use to self-generate power (aka "net meter") to 5 megawatts and sets the electricity sale and purchase pricing to avoid cost-shifting.

These bills are critical for NH's energy industry & economy.

Positive economic impacts

- SB365 supports the $1.4 billion NH timber industry
- Every year, the six plants and timber industry affected by SB365 provide $254.5 million in economic activity
- SB446 could support $125 million worth of investments in NH in one year alone and millions of dollars in savings on electric bills

Significant energy contributions

- SB365 & SB446 ensure energy diversity & independence in NH
- SB365 & SB446 provide over 120MW of electricity to the grid, with potential for more homegrown generation
- These bills provide the opportunity for businesses & communities to provide power & save money

Preserve & protect what makes NH special

- SB365 & SB446 support wise forest management & land use: 40% of all cut wood is used in biomass energy
- Wise land management supports tourism and community resiliency
- NH is the 2nd most forested state in the nation

The legislature can help.

NH House and Senate lawmakers can correct this mistake by simply reaffirming their overwhelming support & votes in the Senate and in the House for SB365 and SB446.

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The Governor made a mistake in vetoing SB365 & SB446.

In his veto message, the Governor made some serious errors and incorrect arguments.

Setting the record straight on the veto of these important bills.

Vetoing SB365 and SB446 has grave consequences for the Granite State, including:

- No savings on electric rates - NH's share of regional generation capacity costs will actually increase by $17 million annually
- Nearly 1,000 local jobs at risk statewide
- A previously vibrant, robust forest management system on the brink of collapse
- Severe decline in NH's energy diversity
- No opportunity to offset an expected $4 billion increase in transmission & distribution costs
- Closure of the state's only waste-to-energy facility will eliminate the only assured destruction facility for unused prescription drugs, increasing the cost of disposing of these drugs and impacting the state's ability to combat the opioid crisis

By using more locally produced energy, NH can better manage its share of regional transmission costs, the fastest growing part of our electricity bills.

This leads to lower electricity costs for all Granite Staters.

NH's small hydro, biomass, solar generation facilities, and waste-to-energy plant annually generate over one million megawatt hours of electricity.

The vetoes are already having devastating effects on industries across NH through business closures, job losses, less in-state energy generation, cancelled projects and equipment orders, and decreased economic activity. Energy users are being denied the freedom to be potential energy suppliers, hindering new, immediate local supplies to our statewide energy grid.

The legislature can help. Stand with NH jobs and NH energy.

NH House and Senate lawmakers can correct this mistake by endorsing SB365 & SB446, which both received overwhelming support in the Senate & House.

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