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Bill	Title	Sponsor	Status
<u>HB 166</u>	Requiring the Public Utilities Commission to make specific findings as to the public need for proposed transmission lines. Also requires transmission lines that are deemed "not for the public good" to be placed underground	Townsend, Charles	Retained in committee
<u>HB 286</u>	Relative to broadband infrastructure (changes requirements for the issuance of broadband infrastructure bonds by municipalities)	Townsend, Charles	Recommitted to the House ST&E Committee 3/20/13
<u>HB 449</u>	Relative to the application process for a certificate for an energy facility	Ladd, Rick	Retained in committee.
<u>HB 484</u>	Relative to public approval prior to issuance of certain site evaluation certificates	Kurk, Neal	Retained in committee
<u>HB 568</u>	Requiring new electric transmission lines in NH to be buried	Rappaport, Laurence	Retained in committee
<u>HB 569</u>	Relative to the placement of all new electric transmission lines in NH	Rappaport, Laurence	Retained in committee
<u>HB 580</u>	Establishing moratoriums on wind turbine plants and electric transmission line projects	Reilly, Harold	Retained in committee
<u>HB 586</u>	Establishing a one year moratorium on applications for certificates for electric transmission facilities	Smith, Suzanne	Retained in committee
<u>HB 676</u>	Extending and expanding the Coos County job creation tax credit	Butynski, William	Passed the House 3/13/13 with amendment. Referred to Senate Ways & Means Committee.
<u>SB 99</u>	Relative to the process for applying for a certificate for an energy facility	Forrester, Jeanie	Before the Senate 3/28/13 with a recommendation the bill pass with amendment. Wind only moratorium, with a study committee.
<u>SB 124</u>	Establishing an integrated land development permit	Odell, Bob	Passed the Senate 3/14/13 with Odell floor amendment.
<u>SB 191</u>	NEW TITLE: establishing a state energy strategy	Odell, Bob	Before the Senate 3/28/13 with a recommendation the bill pass
<u>SB 195</u>	Relative to wind powered renewable energy facilities	Sanborn, Andy	Before the Senate 3/28/13 with a recommendation the bill pass with amendment
<u>SCR 1</u>	Relative to special use permits in the White Mountain National Forest	Woodburn, Jeff	Before the Senate 3/28/13 with a recommendation the bill pass

NHMA Policy Bills

Bill no.	Description	Status
SB 11	Permits municipalities to establish water resources utility districts	Passed Senate
SB 31*	Repeals the prospective ban on the incidental combustion of untreated wood at municipal transfer stations	Senate—OTPA for 3-21
SB 49	Modifies the procedure for appealing planning board decisions to the board of adjustment and the superior court.	Passed Senate
SB 58	Allows a municipality holding water works or flood control land in another municipality to enter into a voluntary agreement with the host municipality for a payment in lieu of taxes	Passed Senate
SB 64	Changes the public notice requirements for the breaching of a dam or lowering of a water body.	Passed Senate
SB 150	Makes an appropriation to DRA for the purpose of reimbursing cities and towns for flood control payments	Laid on table in Senate
SB 168	Appropriates funds to DES for the purpose of funding state aid grant programs for water pollution control and public water systems.	In Senate Finance
SB 183†	Repeals changes to voter ID requirements scheduled to take effect on 9-1-13	Re-referred in Senate P&MA
SB 197	Authorizes the submission of a town's sewer budget as a separate warrant article and requires such an article to include the previous year's appropriation as a default budget	Senate—OTPA for 3-21
HB 1 and HB 2	State budget and trailer bills (implicate numerous NHMA policies)	In House Finance
HB 183	provides that processing of absentee ballots at state and local elections may begin when the polls open.	Passed House
HB 367	Clarifies the process for appropriation requests by the N.H. Municipal Bond Bank in the event of a shortfall in a bond reserve fund, and expands the terms under which governmental units may sell bonds or notes to the bond bank	Passed House
HB 397**	requires the commissioner of the department of environmental services to add to the priority list for state aid those communities with wastewater and public water supply projects that were eligible for such aid, but unfunded in fiscal years 2012 and 2013, and those projects listed on the draft project lists for fiscal years 2013	Retained in House RR&D

	and 2014 and the extended portion of the draft project list beyond 2014, on a first-in, first-out basis as such funds become available.	
HB 422	revises the process for the adoption, revision, and amendment of municipal charters.	Retained in House M&CG
HB 437***	increases the road toll, contingent upon a 50 cent per gallon decline in the retail sale price of fuel for a consecutive 6-month period. <i>(I did not vote in support as council was split)</i>	Retained in House Public Works
HB 455	establishes a committee to study the use of a cash balance retirement plan for new state employees, and employees of political subdivisions electing to participate.	In House ED&A
HB 506	extends the time permitted between the two public hearings required in certain towns for the adoption of codes and ordinances, and the time in which the selectmen may approve the ordinance after the second hearing.	Passed House
HB 517*	makes permanent the exemption for incidental combustion of untreated wood at municipal transfer stations from the ban on combustion of construction and demolition debris.	Passed House
HB 522	allows the noncontemporaneous signing of a manifest by a majority of the board of selectmen.	Passed House
HB 543	establishes a procedure for ascertaining damages to private land when a highway is maintained or repaired in a manner that changes the grade or drainage of the property.	Passed House; Senate Transportation hearing 3-19
HB 595†	Repeals changes to voter ID requirements scheduled to take effect on 9-1-13	House—OTP for 3-20
HB 617	establishes the New Hampshire state and municipal road and bridge account, increases the road toll over a 3-year period, increases the vehicle registration fee for certain classes of vehicles, and provides for adjustment in payments to municipalities for highway construction and reconstruction aid when such payments are based on estimated revenue. <i>(I also did not support as council was split)</i>	Passed House; in House Ways & Means
HB 623	appropriates funds to the department of environmental services for the purpose of funding state aid grant programs for water pollution control and public water systems.	ITL—to be addressed in HBs 1 & 2
HB 672	requires that the property tax exemption for water and air pollution control facilities shall apply only to the net book value of the facility or portion thereof.	Retained in House M&CG

OR OBJECT TO THIS BECAUSE COUNCIL SPLIT ON 2/20/11

- * SB 31 and HB 517 are identical.
- ** SB 168 and HB 623 are identical. HB 397 involves the same policy.
- *** HB 437 involves the same policy as HB 617.
- † HB 595 involves the same policy as SB 183.