



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

July 19, 2019

Governor's Veto Message Regarding Senate Bill 168

By the authority vested in me, pursuant to part II, Article 44 of the New Hampshire Constitution, on July 19th, 2019, I have vetoed Senate Bill 168, relative to class 2 obligations under the electric renewable portfolio standards.

This bill is crony capitalism at its worst. This bill comes directly from the solar lobby to boost their profits while forcing higher costs onto ratepayers. The goal set forward in this bill is unattainable in such a short time period. The result of failing to reach the unattainable goal will be a \$30 million annual penalty to all ratepayers, including seniors and those on fixed incomes because of higher Renewable Energy Credit prices.

For the reasons stated above, I have vetoed Senate Bill 168.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Clith T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu
Governor