

# RELEASE: House Votes to Maintain Funding for Energy Efficiency Programs

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## **HOUSE VOTES TO MAINTAIN FUNDING FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** – Today, the House of Representatives voted to uphold an Inexpedient to Legislate recommendation on [HB 477](#), which would substantially diminish state energy efficiency funding from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI). **Representative Robert Backus (D-Manchester), Chair of the House Science, Technology and Energy Committee** released the following statement:

“The point of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) is to provide a funding mechanism for partner-states to make substantial investments in energy efficiency programs to help decrease and transition off fossil fuel dependence more rapidly. This is the most effective way we have to help our citizens lower their energy bills.

House Bill 477 would have substantially diminished state energy efficiency funding from RGGI. New Hampshire needs programs and investments that are aimed at reducing our energy bills. I’m happy that the House voted to stop this legislation, keeping critical energy efficiency funding in place.”

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