



TWO RIVERS-OTTAUQUECHEE

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REGIONAL COMMISSION

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Rep. Bill Botzow, Chair
House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development
State House
115 State Street
Montpelier, Vermont 05633

RE: H. 736, Version 6.1

Dear Chairman Botzow:

Thank you for your interest in our thoughts on the latest version of H. 736. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend either in person or by phone next week. The comments below are intended to be testimony on two sections of the draft and are supported by all regional planning commissions.

1. Section 5. Downtown Tax Credits. We support the changes as outlined in this Section.
2. Section 6. Electricity rates for Businesses. In new section 218e(d), on page 14. line 21, we ask that you list "regional planning commissions" separately as we are involved in energy and energy efficiency issues in the state.

Again, thank you for reaching out on this bill.

Sincerely,

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