

February, 5, 2018
156 Manning Drive
White River Jct., Vermont 05001

Re: H 700, a bill to change the timing for posting minutes on the town website.

Chair Thompson and Gov Ops members,

I'm clerk of the Hartford Energy Commission. We meet on Thursday evening. Current law requires my minutes to be posted on Tuesday. Under normal circumstances this works. I type, spell check, and re-read to be sure I have made sense over the weekend. Then on Monday, send to the responsible town official. The Town official, in my case the Town Energy Coordinator, proof reads on Monday and sends to the town administrative staff to post on the website by Tuesday.

The problem comes with Monday holidays. The energy coordinator then has only Tuesday to proofread and send to administrative personnel to post. It is difficult for them to turn the minutes around in less than one day due to the accumulation of work.

Changing the deadline to five working days will ease the work load for all, as well as continuing to provide timely posting of minutes on the town website.

Thank you for your consideration.

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