

News from the States (January)

Connecticut

- Gov. Lamont Signs First Bill: Bipartisan Legislation Allows Federal Workers Impacted by the Shutdown to Receive Financial Assistance Through a Partnership With the State's Banks and Credit Unions
- Lamont talks grid reliability, offshore wind with DEEP staff (*The Day*)
- Lamont: Electric Boat boasts 'extraordinary numbers' to double workforce
- Connecticut's biggest business group is proposing a dozen ways to stoke economic growth (*Hartford Courant*)

Maine

- Maine's governor solicits proposals to install solar panels on the Blaine House (*Portland Press Herald*)
- Bill To Tax Fossil Fuel Producers Among Dozens Of Climate-Related Proposals Before Maine Legislature (*Maine Public Radio*)
- Governor Mills Launches Official Social Media Accounts
- Governor Mills Appoints Former House Speaker Pingree to Lead Office of Policy Management
- Governor Mills Posts Cabinet Nominees Kicking Off Legislative Confirmation Process
- Mills continues to chip away aggressively at LePage's legacy (*Bangor Daily News*)

Massachusetts

- Massachusetts' Nation-Leading Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan Approved
- Governor Baker Unveils School Finance Proposal to Fully Fund the Foundation Budget Recommendations with FY20 Budget
- Gov. Charlie Baker proposes raising real estate transfer tax to pay for effects of climate change in Massachusetts (*MassLive*)
- Baker-Polito Administration Announces Grant Programs to Reduce Vehicle Air Pollution under the Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Settlement
- Mass. Looks to Double Down on OSW, Clean Goals (*RTO Insider*)
- Charlie Baker holds nation's 'most popular governor' status, again (*Boston Herald*)

New Hampshire

- Governor Chris Sununu Letter to Dr. Walter Cruickshank regarding BOEM Offshore Renewable Energy Task Force for New Hampshire
- Sununu Requests State-Federal Offshore Wind Task Force; Advocates Court Supply Business (*NHPR*)
- Governor Sununu Announces Council to Research Opioid Prescription Patterns

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New York

- Governor Cuomo [Announces Green New Deal Included in 2019 Executive Budget](#)
- Andrew Cuomo's [New York Budget Plan Includes Call to Change MTA Governance](#) (*Bloomberg*)
- Cuomo's [2019 budget address, by the numbers](#) (*City & State NY*)
- Governor Cuomo sets big goals for [offshore wind & renewables](#) in New York (*Windpower Engineering*)

Rhode Island

- Governor [releases proposed \\$9.9B state budget](#) (*Newport Daily News*)
- Rhode Island [Jobs Hit New All-Time High, Unemployment Rate Level with National Average](#)
- Vineyard Wind [offers \\$6.2M to compensate R.I. fishermen](#) (*Providence Journal*)

Vermont

- Governor Scott's [Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Address](#)
- With No Shutdown End In Sight, [Vt. Extends Unemployment Benefits To Federal Workers](#) (*VT Public Radio*)
- Vermont [solar-storage projects aim to lower costs](#) during peak demand (*Energy News*)
- Governor Chris Sununu and Governor Phil Scott [Introduce Twin State Voluntary Leave Plan](#)
- [Carbon pricing wouldn't hurt Vermont's economy](#), says long-awaited report (*VT Digger*)