

Subject Homeowners association restrictions on solar system installation

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Overview

House File 1262 specifies restrictions a homeowners association may place on the installation of a solar energy system by a single-family dwelling owner.

Summary

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| 1 | <p>[216B.164] Cogeneration and small power production.</p> <p>Subd. 12. Customer's access to electricity usage data. Requires a utility to provide a customer's requested electricity usage data within ten days if needed for interconnection of a distributed energy generation system on behalf of the customer.</p> |
| 2 | <p>[500.216] Limits on certain residential solar energy systems prohibited.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines "private entity" as a homeowners association or other association subject to a homeowners association document.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Applicability. States that this section applies to single-family dwellings whose owner owns or has exclusive use of the roof.</p> <p>Subd. 3. General rule. Prohibits a private entity from prohibiting an owner of a single-family dwelling to install a roof-mounted solar system, except as provided in this section.</p> <p>Subd. 4. Allowable conditions. Lists requirements a private entity may impose on a roof-mounted solar system, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ requiring installation by a licensed contractor;▪ prohibiting the system to extend beyond the roof's peak or edge;▪ making the system owner liable for reimbursement for any damages caused by installation or operation of the system; and |

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- other restrictions that do not decrease solar energy output by more than ten percent or increase the cost of the system by more than \$1,000.

Specifies that approval of installation by a private entity may not be willfully avoided or delayed, and must be approved or denied in writing.



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