

Subject Consumer protections regarding solar energy systems

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Overview

House File 4880, as amended by the H4880A2 amendment, specifies consumer protection provisions governing the sale of solar energy systems.

Summary

Section	Description
1	[81B.01] Short title. Titles this chapter the “Solar Energy Systems Consumer Protection Act.”
2	[81B.02] Scope. Specifies which solar energy and energy storage systems sales are regulated under this act.
3	[81B.03] Definitions. Defines terms.
4	[81B.04] Registration required; solar energy companies and salespersons. Subd. 1. Registration required. Requires a solar energy company or salesperson to register with the commissioner of commerce. Subd. 2. Application and renewal. Lists the content of registration application and renewal forms. Subd. 3. Notice of change in registration information. Requires a solar energy company to provide written notice to the commissioner when certain information regarding the company changes. Subd. 4. Records. Specifies records a solar energy company must retain for at least six years. Subd. 5. Registration fee. Specifies the amount of a registration fee for solar energy companies and salespersons.

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5	<p>[81B.05] Registration denial, nonrenewal, revocation, and suspension.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Authority. Specifies conditions under which the commissioner may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue a registration.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Solar energy company responsibility for actions of salespersons. Authorizes the attorney general to take action against a solar energy company for a violation of this chapter by the company’s salesperson, and against the salesperson as well.</p>
6	<p>[81B.06] Solar energy systems consumer protections.</p> <p>Subd. 1. Disclosure form; content; amendment. Describes the content of the disclosure form that a solar energy company must provide to a consumer before an agreement is signed.</p> <p>Subd. 2. Solar energy system purchase agreement; content. Describes the content of the purchase agreement that a solar energy company must provide to a consumer before an agreement is signed.</p> <p>Subd. 3. Solar energy system lease agreement; content. Describes the content of the lease agreement that a solar energy company must provide to a consumer before an agreement is signed.</p> <p>Subd. 4. Solar energy system power purchase agreement; content of consumer agreement. Describes the content of the power purchase agreement that a solar energy company must provide to a consumer before an agreement is signed.</p> <p>Subd. 5. Other provisions. Specifies other provisions that govern solar energy system transactions.</p> <p>Subd. 6. Agreement review meeting. Requires a meeting between the solar energy company and a consumer to review the final agreement terms, and that an audio and visual recording of the meeting must be made.</p> <p>Subd. 7 Enforcement. Provides that the attorney general will enforce this chapter, and that a solar energy company is subject to the remedies under section 8.31 for a violation committed by the company’s salesperson.</p>



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