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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill limits how residential communities can regulate solar energy systems.

Section

- 1 Limits on certain residential solar energy systems prohibited. Prevents homeowners associations, common interest communities, and other residential communities from limiting a homeowner's use of solar energy when the homeowner owns a single-family dwelling, that is attached or detached, where the owner is responsible for the roof. This section does allow a homeowners association or common interest community, or other community subject to a homeowners association document, to impose other restrictions on the installation, maintenance, and location of the solar energy system.
- 2 Compliance with covenants, bylaws, and rules. Provides that apartment owners in a condominium under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 515, must comply with the terms provided in section 1.
- **3 Construction and validity of declaration and bylaws.** Provides that declaration and bylaws applying to common interest communities under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 515B, must comply with the terms provided in section 1.
- **4 Powers of unit owners' association.** Provides that a unit owners' association cannot make declarations or bylaws that do not comply with section 1.