

HOUSE BILL 440

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By: **Delegate Clippinger**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Electricity – Community Solar Energy Generating Systems – Generating**
3 **Capacity**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the maximum generating capacity of a community solar energy
5 generating system; and generally relating to community solar energy generating
6 systems.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Public Utilities
9 Section 7–306.2(a)(1)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Public Utilities
14 Section 7–306.2(a)(3)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Public Utilities**

20 7–306.2.

21 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

22 (3) “Community solar energy generating system” means a solar energy
23 system that:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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- 1 (i) is connected to the electric distribution grid serving the State;
- 2 (ii) is located in the same electric service territory as its subscribers;
- 3 (iii) is attached to the electric meter of a subscriber or is a separate
4 facility with its own electric meter;
- 5 (iv) credits its generated electricity, or the value of its generated
6 electricity, to the bills of the subscribers to that system through virtual net energy
7 metering;
- 8 (v) has at least two subscribers but no limit to the maximum number
9 of subscribers;
- 10 (vi) does not have subscriptions larger than 200 kilowatts
11 constituting more than 60% of its subscriptions;
- 12 (vii) has a generating capacity that does not exceed **[2] 5** megawatts
13 as measured by the alternating current rating of the system's inverter; and
- 14 (viii) may be owned by any person.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
16 October 1, 2022.