1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,

- represented in the General Assembly:
- 4 Section 5. The Homeowners' Solar Rights Act is amended by
- 5 changing Sections 1 and 20 as follows:
- 6 (765 ILCS 165/1)
- 7 Sec. 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
- 8 Homeowners' Energy Policy Statement Solar Rights Act.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 96-1436, eff. 1-1-11.)
- 10 (765 ILCS 165/20)
- 11 Sec. 20. Deed restrictions; covenants. No deed
- 12 restrictions, covenants, or similar binding agreements running
- 13 with the land shall prohibit or have the effect of prohibiting
- 14 a solar energy system from being installed on a building
- 15 erected on a lot or parcel covered by the deed restrictions,
- 16 covenants, or binding agreements, if the building is subject to
- 17 a homeowners' association, common interest community
- 18 association, or condominium unit owners' association. A
- 19 property owner may not be denied permission to install a solar
- 20 energy system by any entity granted the power or right in any
- 21 deed restriction, covenant, or similar binding agreement to
- 22 approve, forbid, control, or direct alteration of property.

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However, for purposes of this Act, the entity may determine the specific location where a solar energy system may be installed on the roof within an orientation to the south or within 45 degrees east or west of due south provided that the determination does not impair the effective operation of the solar energy system. Within 120 days after a homeowners' association, common interest community association, or condominium unit owners' association receives a request for a policy statement or an application from an association member, the Each homeowners' association, common interest community association, or condominium unit owners! association shall adopt an energy policy statement regarding: (i) the location, design, and architectural requirements of solar systems; and (ii) whether a wind energy collection, rain water collection, or composting system is allowed, and, if so, the location, design, and architectural requirements of those systems within 120 days after an association receives a request for a policy statement or an application from an association member. An association shall disclose, upon request, its energy policy statement and shall include the statement in its homeowners' common interest community, or condominium unit owners' association declaration.

23 (Source: P.A. 96-1436, eff. 1-1-11.)