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Research Analysis

The committee substitute prohibits any owners association rule that would restrict a property owner from installing solar panels on their property with exceptions. Notwithstanding the exceptions, an owners association may withhold its approval for a proposed installation when it determines in writing that the proposed solar energy system would substantially interfere with the use and enjoyment of the land. Existing HOA restrictions on solar panel installations are valid if they were established prior to the effective date of the date. Furthermore, any new HOA has 1 year from its creation date to establish a covenant to prohibit solar panels before the restriction in the bill are applicable.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 1023 in its current form is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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