

**BILL SUMMARY**  
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<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB915</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Please see previous summary of this measure</b>

**Research Analysis**

The committee substitute for SB 915 requires commercial solar facilities that are located on land leased by the Commissioners of the Land Office to be:

- Installed on permanent grass suitable for livestock grazing and allow for the grazing of livestock;
- At least six feet high from the lowest point of the solar panel;
- At least 25 feet between rows;
- At least 500 feet away from an occupied residence, unless waived in writing by the residence owner;
- Promote optimal runoff flow; and
- Liable for all soil erosion where the panels are installed.

Any lease agreement offered to a landowner by a solar energy facility must meet the same requirements. However, the landowner may waive them.

These provisions apply to any future 10 MW or larger solar energy and associated battery storage facilities on CLO land, and any project on CLO land that is in development that does not yet have an interconnection agreement in place.

Lastly, the commercial solar facility owners are required to pay ad valorem taxes and any other assessments on improvements to the facilities to the appropriate county treasurer by December 31 of each year.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

