

SHB 1427 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-1604.2/23) 375

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1 On page 9, after line 11 of the striking amendment, insert the
2 following:

3 "(8) A solar energy installer must calculate the payback period of
4 the solar components of a solar energy system and must provide this
5 analysis to a homeowner prior to signing a contract with a homeowner.
6 Beginning on August 1, 2024, the solar energy installer must calculate
7 the payback period using best practices as jointly recommended by the
8 utilities and transportation commission and the department of commerce
9 in accordance with section 5 of this act."

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11 On page 9, after line 15 of the striking amendment, insert the
12 following:

13 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. A new section is added to chapter 19.29A RCW
14 to read as follows:

15 The commission and the department must jointly develop best
16 practices for calculating the payback period for solar components of a
17 solar energy system. The commission and the department must publish
18 these best practice recommendations on their respective websites by
19 August 1, 2024."

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21 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
22 internal references accordingly.

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EFFECT: Requires solar energy installers to calculate and share the payback period of a solar energy system with a homeowner before signing a contract with the homeowner. Requires the Utilities and Transportation Commission and the Department of Commerce to jointly recommend best practices for calculating this payback period and post the recommendations on their web sites by August 1, 2024.

Requires solar energy installers to follow these published recommendations when making the calculations beginning on August 1, 2024.

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