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Introduced by Sen. KRUEGER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to portable solar generation devices

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Solar UP Now NY Act".

§ 2. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 1 of section 66-j of the public service law, as amended by chapter 253 of the laws of 2013, is amended and a new paragraph (j) is added to subdivision 1 to read as follows:

(d) "Solar electric generating equipment" means a photovoltaic system (i) (A) in the case of a residential customer (other than a farm utilizing a residential meter), with a rated capacity of not more than twenty-five kilowatts; (B) in the case of a customer who owns or operates a farm operation as such term is defined in subdivision eleven of section three hundred one of the agriculture and markets law utilizing a residential meter with a rated capacity of not more than one hundred kilowatts; and (C) in the case of a non-residential customer, with a rated capacity of not more than two thousand kilowatts; and (ii) that is manufactured, installed, and operated in accordance with applicable government and industry standards, that is connected to the electric system and operated in conjunction with an electric corporation's transmission and distribution facilities, and that is operated in compliance with any standards and requirements established under this section. **Solar electric generating equipment shall not include a portable solar generation device.**

(j) "Portable solar generation device" means a moveable photovoltaic generation device that:

(i) is designed to be connected to a building's electrical system through a standard electrical outlet;

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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(ii) is intended primarily to offset part of the customer's electricity consumption;

(iii) is limited to supplying a maximum power output of not more than one thousand two hundred watts to the utility electric grid; and

(iv) is certified by underwriters laboratories or an equivalent nationally recognized testing laboratory.

§ 3. Subdivision 7 of section 66-j of the public service law is renumbered subdivision 8 and a new subdivision 7 is added to read as follows:

7. Portable solar generation device. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a portable solar generation device shall not be subject to interconnection or net metering requirements.

(b) An electric corporation may not require a customer using a portable solar generation device to:

(i) obtain the electric corporation's approval before installing or using the device;

(ii) pay any fee or charge related to the device or for feeding energy back into the utility electric grid; or

(iii) install any additional controls or equipment beyond what is integrated into the device.

(c) An electric corporation shall not be liable for any damage or injury caused by a portable solar generation device.

§ 4. This act shall take effect immediately.