

SB1254 homeowners' associations; commercial signs (NOW: real property; signage; solar devices) is now the vehicle for the solar industries efforts to make positive changes to Arizona's Current Solar Rights Law. It states that HOA's may not prohibit the installation or use of a solar energy device. It further states that an HOA may adopt reasonable rules as long as those rules do not prevent the installation, impair the functioning of the device or restrict its use or adversely affect the cost or efficiency of the device. There is also strong legislative intent language that makes it very clear that the Legislature supports the private property rights of Arizona citizens to use solar energy free of restrictions that add to the cost and prevent Arizona from realizing the air quality and economic development benefit of solar energy.

We expect SB1254 to come to the floor of the Senate for a final vote soon. Please call your Senator and ask them to support SB1254.

Also, please ask your Senator to support HB2491- solar energy tax credit; application. This bill, which makes technical corrections to Arizona's commercial tax credit, will also be scheduled for a final vote in the Senate very soon. Please call your Senator and ask them to support this bill as well.

To email legislators go to <http://www.azleg.gov/MemberRoster.asp>. If you are not sure who your legislators are, please go to <http://www.vote-smart.org> (You will need your 9-digit zip code.) or call the House or Senate information desks. If you're outside the Phoenix area, you can call your legislators' offices toll free at 1-800-352-8404. In the Phoenix area call (602) 926-3559 (Senate) or (602) 926-4221 (House). Correspondence goes to 1700 W. Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85007-2890. For more information on legislation go to <http://www.azleg.gov>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

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