SB 54 (2023)

Property Tax Exemption:
Alternative Energy Systems &
Expansion of Community Based Solar Property

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Property Tax Exemption: Alternative Energy Systems

- Partial property tax exemption
 - Solar, geothermal, wind, water, fuel cell, or methane gas energy systems for the purpose of heating, cooling or generating electricity
 - System must be
 - Net metering facility, or
 - Primarily designed to offset onsite electricity use
 - Community solar project (residential portion)

 Property tax exemption is for the alternative energy system/community solar project



Community Solar Project

- SB 1519 (2022)
 - Extended Alternative Energy System property tax exemption sunset from 2023 to 2029, and
 - Added community solar project to property tax exemption
 - Only proportion of community solar project owned/leased by residential customers/subscribers is exempt
 - Proportion based on nameplate capacity of project allocated to residential owners/lessees
 - Changes were applicable to property tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2022
- SB 54 (2023)
 - Removes residential requirements related to community solar exemption
 - Applies to property tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2023

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