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1 [Supporting California State Senate Bill No. 379 (Wiener) - Residential Solar Energy Systems:  
2 Permitting]

3 **Resolution supporting California State Senate Bill No. 379, Residential Solar Energy**  
4 **Systems: Permitting, introduced by Senator Scott Wiener, that would require certain**  
5 **jurisdictions to provide an online instant solar permitting process for residential solar**  
6 **and solar-plus-storage energy systems.**

7  
8 WHEREAS, San Francisco's 2021 Climate Action Plan establishes a goal of reaching  
9 net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2040, and specific goals in the energy sector of  
10 providing 100% renewable electricity by 2025 and 100% renewable energy by 2040; and

11 WHEREAS, The 2021 Climate Action Plan calls specifically for investing in local  
12 renewable energy and energy resilience and supporting the development of local renewable  
13 electricity production by scaling up programs such as net metering, community solar, feed-in  
14 tariffs, and battery storage; and

15 WHEREAS, Rooftop solar installations and battery storage support grid resilience in  
16 the face of public safety power shutoffs and other electricity grid disruptions caused by  
17 increasing wildfire risk and extreme weather events being driven by climate change; and

18 WHEREAS, The San Francisco Public Utilities Commission offers programs to ensure  
19 low-income residents and marginalized communities can participate equitably in the transition  
20 to clean energy, including through the GoSolarSF Program that provides incentives to install  
21 rooftop solar in low-income communities; and

22 WHEREAS, Existing state law requires a city or county to approve administratively  
23 applications to install solar energy systems through the issuance of a building permit or similar  
24 non-discretionary permit; and

1           WHEREAS, Existing law requires every city, county, or city and county to develop a  
2 streamlined permitting process for the installation of small residential rooftop solar energy  
3 systems, as that term is defined; and

4           WHEREAS, Existing law prescribes and limits permit fees that a city or county may  
5 charge for a residential and commercial solar energy system; and

6           WHEREAS, California State Senate Bill No. 379 would require every city, county, or  
7 city and county to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code  
8 compliance and issues permits in real time for a solar energy system, as defined, that is no  
9 larger than 38.4 kilowatts alternating current nameplate rating and an energy storage system,  
10 as defined, paired with a solar energy system that is no larger than 38.4 kilowatts alternating  
11 current nameplate rating; and

12           WHEREAS, The bill would prescribe a compliance schedule for satisfying these  
13 requirements, with cities and counties with populations greater than 50,000 required to satisfy  
14 the requirements by September 30, 2023; and

15           WHEREAS, The bill would require a city, county, or city and county to report to the  
16 California Energy Commission (CEC) when it is in compliance with specified requirements,  
17 and to self-certify their compliance with the bill's provisions when applying for specified funds  
18 from the CEC, as specified; and

19           WHEREAS, In 2020, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), a division of  
20 the U.S. Department of Energy, released free software called SolarAPP+ that cities and  
21 counties can adopt to process permits for residential solar energy systems; and

22           WHEREAS, The California Energy Commission is operating a program to deploy \$20  
23 million in grants to help cities and counties adopt online automated permitting systems such  
24 as SolarAPP+; and

1 WHEREAS, Jurisdictions such as Pleasant Hill, San Ramon, Sonoma County,  
2 Stockton, and Benicia have successfully deployed SolarAPP+ and San Jose, Los Angeles,  
3 Alameda County and Vacaville have adopted similar automated permitting software and  
4 reduced permit review time; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
6 hereby urges passage of California State Senate Bill No. 379; and be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Department of  
8 Building Inspection, the San Francisco Fire Department, and other relevant permitting  
9 agencies to move swiftly to implement automated solar permitting platforms to reduce permit  
10 review time for solar energy and battery storage systems; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board  
12 to transmit copies of this resolution to San Francisco's state legislative delegation, Assembly  
13 Speaker Anthony Rendon, Senate President Pro Tempore Toni Atkins, Governor Gavin  
14 Newsom, and to the City Lobbyist upon passage.

AMENDED IN SENATE JANUARY 12, 2022

AMENDED IN SENATE JANUARY 3, 2022

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 4, 2021

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 8, 2021

AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 7, 2021

## **SENATE BILL**

**No. 379**

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**Introduced by Senator Wiener**

February 10, 2021

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An act to add Section 65850.52 to the Government Code, relating to land use.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 379, as amended, Wiener. Residential solar energy systems: permitting.

Existing law requires a city or county to approve administratively applications to install solar energy systems through the issuance of a building permit or similar nondiscretionary permit. Existing law requires every city, county, or city and county to develop a streamlined permitting process for the installation of small residential rooftop solar energy systems, as that term is defined. Existing law prescribes and limits permit fees that a city or county may charge for a residential and commercial solar energy system. Existing law creates the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) in the Natural Resources Agency and prescribes its duties, which include administering programs for the installation of solar energy systems.

This bill would require every city, county, or city and county to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and ~~instantaneously~~ issues permits *in real time* for a solar energy ~~system~~ *system, as defined*, that is no larger than 38.4 kilowatts alternating current nameplate rating and an energy storage ~~system~~ *system, as defined*, paired with a solar energy system that is no larger than 38.4 kilowatts alternating current nameplate rating. The bill would require a city, county, or city and county to amend a certain ordinance to authorize a ~~residential~~ solar energy system and an energy storage system to use the online, automated permitting platform.

This bill would prescribe a compliance schedule for satisfying these requirements, which would exempt a *city with a population of fewer than 5,000 and a county with a population of fewer than 150,000 and all cities within a county with a population of fewer than 150,000. 150,000, including each city within that county.* The bill would require a city with a population of 50,000 or fewer that is not otherwise exempt to satisfy these requirements by September 30, 2024, while cities and counties with populations greater than 50,000 that are not otherwise exempt would be required to satisfy the requirements by September 30, 2023. The bill would require a city, county, or city and county, or a fire department, district, or authority, to report to the Energy Commission when it is in compliance with specified requirements, in addition to other information. The bill would require cities and counties to self-certify their compliance with the bill's provisions when applying for specified funds from the Energy ~~Commission. Commission, as specified.~~

~~This bill would, upon provision of sufficient funding, authorize the Energy Commission to provide technical assistance and grant funding to cities and counties in order to support the above-described requirements. The bill would require the Energy Commission to set guidelines for cities and counties to report to the commission on the number of permits issued for solar energy systems and an energy storage system paired with a solar energy system and the relevant characteristics of those systems. The bill would make related findings and declarations.~~

By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.

State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the  
2 following:

3 (a) Permitting fees or soft costs to solar and storage projects  
4 can add substantial time and money to the adoption of additional  
5 solar and storage projects.

6 ~~(b) California needs additional rooftop solar and storage projects~~  
7 ~~in order to meet our renewable energy goals.~~

8 ~~(c)~~

9 (b) To meet its clean energy goals, California ~~needs~~ *may need*  
10 up to six gigawatts of new renewable and storage resources  
11 ~~annually~~; *annually, including additional rooftop solar and storage*  
12 *projects.*

13 ~~(d)~~

14 (c) Per the 2021 Senate Bill 100 Joint Agency Report, Achieving  
15 100% Clean Electricity in California, development of rooftop solar  
16 must increase dramatically.

17 ~~(e)~~

18 (d) Because the 2021 budget included a \$20 million  
19 appropriation to the Energy Commission for grants to all  
20 jurisdictions that adopt the SolarAPP+ or a similar program in  
21 order to expedite permitting, local permitting jurisdictions can and  
22 should be required to adopt SolarAPP+ or a similar program for  
23 automated permitting in order to promote the development of solar  
24 and storage to help meet the state's clean energy needs.

25 SEC. 2. Section 65850.52 is added to the Government Code,  
26 immediately following Section 65850.5, to read:

27 65850.52. (a) For purposes of this section, the following  
28 definitions apply:

29 (1) "Energy Commission" means the State Energy Resources  
30 Conservation and Development Commission.

31 (2) "Energy storage system" means commercially available  
32 technology, located behind a customer's *residential* utility meter,  
33 that is capable of absorbing electricity generated from a colocated

1 electricity generator or from the electrical grid, storing it for a  
2 period of time, and thereafter discharging it to meet the energy or  
3 power needs of the host customer or for export.

4 (3) “Solar energy system” means any configuration of solar  
5 energy devices that collects and distributes solar energy for the  
6 purpose of generating electricity and that has a single *residential*  
7 interconnection with the electric utility transmission or distribution  
8 network.

9 (4) “SolarAPP+” means the most recent version of a web-based  
10 portal, developed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory,  
11 that automates plan review, produces code-compliant approvals,  
12 and issues permits for solar energy systems and energy storage  
13 systems paired with solar energy systems.

14 (b) ~~Pursuant~~—(1) *Pursuant* to the compliance schedule in  
15 subdivision—(d), (c), a city, county, or city and county, in  
16 consultation with the local fire department, district, or authority,  
17 shall implement an online, automated permitting platform, such  
18 as SolarAPP+, that—~~verifies~~ *meets both of the following*  
19 *requirements:*

20 (A) *The platform verifies* code compliance and issues permits  
21 in real time to a licensed contractor for a solar energy system that  
22 is no larger than 38.4 kilowatts alternating current nameplate rating  
23 and an energy storage system paired with a solar energy system  
24 that is no larger than 38.4 kilowatts alternating current nameplate  
25 ~~rating, and is rating.~~

26 (B) *The platform is* consistent with the system parameters and  
27 configurations, including an inspection checklist, of SolarAPP+.  
28 ~~Consistent~~

29 (2) *Consistent* with the same compliance schedule, a city,  
30 county, or city and county shall amend its ordinance adopted  
31 pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 65850.5 to authorize a  
32 ~~residential~~ solar energy system and an energy storage system to  
33 use the online, automated permitting platform.

34 (3) *A city, county, or city and county is not required to permit*  
35 *an application for a solar energy system or energy storage system*  
36 *through the online automated permitting platform pursuant to this*  
37 *section if the system configuration is not eligible for SolarAPP+*  
38 *at the time the application is submitted to the jurisdiction.*

39 (c) (1) *A city with a population of fewer than 5,000 and a*  
40 *county with a population of fewer than 150,000, and all cities*



1 ~~within a county with a population of fewer than 150,000, are~~  
2 ~~including each city within that county, is exempt from subdivision~~  
3 ~~(b).~~

4 (2) A city with a population of 50,000 or fewer that is not  
5 exempt pursuant to paragraph (1) shall satisfy the requirements of  
6 subdivision (b) by September 30, 2024.

7 (3) A city, county, or city and county with a population of  
8 greater than 50,000 that is not exempt pursuant to paragraph (1)  
9 shall satisfy the requirements of subdivision (b) by September 30,  
10 2023.

11 ~~(d) Upon provision of sufficient funding, the Energy~~  
12 ~~Commission may provide technical assistance and grant funding~~  
13 ~~to a city, county, or city and county to support the implementation~~  
14 ~~of online, automated permitting for a solar energy system and an~~  
15 ~~energy storage system paired with a solar energy system and for~~  
16 ~~compliance with the requirements of subdivision (b) in a timely~~  
17 ~~manner.~~

18 ~~(e)~~  
19 (d) A city, county, or city and county, or a fire department,  
20 district, or authority, shall report to the Energy Commission when  
21 it is in compliance with subdivision (b).

22 ~~(f)~~  
23 (e) The Energy Commission shall set guidelines for cities,  
24 counties, and cities and counties to report to the commission on  
25 the number of permits issued for solar energy systems and an  
26 energy storage system paired with a solar energy system and the  
27 relevant characteristics of those systems. A city, county, or city  
28 and county shall annually report to the Energy Commission  
29 pursuant to those guidelines within one year of implementing the  
30 online, automated solar permitting system pursuant to subdivision  
31 (b).

32 ~~(g)~~  
33 (f) A city, county, or city and county shall self-certify its  
34 compliance with this section when applying for funds from the  
35 Energy Commission *after the applicable date in the compliance*  
36 *schedule in subdivision (c)*, other than the twenty million dollars  
37 (\$20,000,000) in funds available, pursuant to Section 76 of Chapter  
38 69 of the Statutes of 2021, from the Energy Commission for  
39 automated solar permitting.

40 ~~(h)~~

1 (g) This section does not limit or otherwise affect the generator  
2 interconnection requirements and approval process for a local  
3 publicly owned electric utility, as defined in Section 224.3 of the  
4 Public Utilities Code, or an electrical corporation, as defined in  
5 Section 218 of the Public Utilities Code.

6 (i)

7 (h) This section does not increase or otherwise affect the liability  
8 of a local agency pertaining to a solar energy system or an energy  
9 storage system paired with a solar energy system installed pursuant  
10 to this section.

11 SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to  
12 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because  
13 a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service  
14 charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or  
15 level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section  
16 17556 of the Government Code.

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## Senator Scott Wiener, 11<sup>th</sup> Senate District

### Senate Bill 379 – Solar Access Act

#### SUMMARY

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To increase the number of homes installing safe solar energy systems, Senate Bill 379, the Solar Access Act, would require certain sized jurisdictions to provide an online instant solar permitting process, like SolarAPP+, for residential solar and solar-plus-storage systems.

#### BACKGROUND

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In 2020, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), a division of the U.S. Department of Energy released free software called SolarAPP+ that cities and counties can adopt to process permits for solar and solar-plus-storage systems for residential single-family homes and duplexes, and integrates with most existing permit management software. SolarAPP+ asks the contractor a series of questions to verify the solar system's design is safe, and then issues a permit automatically. SolarAPP+, developed in partnership with building safety experts and the solar industry, helps local governments and installers operate more efficiently without compromising the safety or quality of solar systems. SolarAPP+ is free for cities and counties, integrates with their existing software systems, and can be adjusted to the characteristics of the area (e.g., snowfall).

The California Energy Commission (CEC) is operating a program to deploy \$20 million in grants to help cities and counties adopt online automated permitting systems such as SolarAPP+. Jurisdictions, such as Pleasant

Hill, Sonoma County, Menifee, Stockton, Simi Valley, San Jose and Los Angeles have deployed SolarAPP+ or similar automated permitting software with great success. Pleasant Hill, for instance, was able to reduce their average permit review time to zero days (same-day approval), after they adopted SolarAPP+ for instantaneous automated permitting.

#### PROBLEM

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California needs to accelerate its transition to clean energy in order to increase local resilience and meet its climate emissions targets by 2045. While rooftop solar systems have been a major driving force behind California's ongoing transition, the potential growth of these systems has been diminished by administrative burdens. Red tape and the 'soft costs' of permitting and installing often prevents homeowners from putting solar on their roofs. Before a contractor can install a solar system, they need to apply for a permit from the local building department. These permitting processes are often inefficient and time-consuming, and can add thousands of dollars to the cost of installing solar. As a result, fewer Californians add solar to their roofs who otherwise would. Meanwhile, the workload for building department officials continues to increase, exacerbated by pandemic-related disruptions, and government staff are increasingly unable to manage the permitting application process in a timely fashion. Relief is needed across the board, and the technology to accomplish that

is now widely available, and should be implemented as quickly as possible.

### **SOLUTION**

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SB 379 will allow more homeowners to install solar by streamlining the permitting process. The bill will require counties with populations over 150,000, and all cities within those counties to allow homeowners' contractors to receive an instant online permit for standard solar and solar-plus-storage systems, via software such as the SolarAPP+. For cities under 50,000 residents, this requirement is in place starting Sept. 30, 2024, and for those cities over 50,000 residents, the requirement is in place starting Sept. 30, 2023. Local governments can apply to the CEC to cover the costs of implementing SolarAPP+.

Overall, the bill would increase the number of households installing solar and storage systems, help California meet its greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals, increase the resiliency of homes (especially during public safety power shutoffs), reduce electricity costs to homeowners, reduce administrative costs for local governments, and create solar installation jobs.

### **SUPPORT**

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- Environment California, Co-Sponsor
- SPUR, Co-Sponsor
- 350 Humboldt
- ACR Solar
- Advanced Energy Economy
- All Valley Solar, Inc.
- Alternative Energy Systems Inc.
- Aurora
- Aztec Solar
- Bay Area Council
- California Democratic Party
- California Solar & Storage Association
- Center for Sustainable Energy
- City of Palm Springs
- Elders Climate Action, NorCal Chapter
- Elders Climate Action, SoCal Chapter
- Elizares Solar Consulting
- Energy Toolbase
- Environmental Defense Fund
- First Response Solar
- GRID Alternatives
- Habitat for Humanity Greater San Francisco
- Housing Action Coalition
- Local Government Commission
- Local Solar for All
- McCalmont Engineering
- Mosaic
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Natural Resources Defense Council Action Fund
- Omnidian, Inc.
- Planet Plan Sets
- Pure Power Solutions
- Sierra Club California
- Silicon Valley Youth Climate Action
- Solar and Fire Education
- Solar Energy Industries Association
- Solar Rights Alliance
- Solar Sense PV, Inc.
- Solar United Neighbors
- Solar Works
- SolarCraft
- Spectrum Energy Development Inc.
- Summit Technology Group
- SunEarth
- Sunrun
- SunPower Corporation
- Symmetric Energy
- Taylor Energy
- TerraVerde Energy
- Tesla
- The Climate Center

- Tigo Energy
- Treepublic Solar
- Vote Solar
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- Mayor Tom Butt, City of Richmond
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- Mayor Erin Ruark-Minett, City of Nevada
- Mayor David Potter, City of Carmel
- Mayor Michael Vargas, City of Perris
- Mayor Kevin Wilk, City of Walnut Creek
- Mayor Pro Tem Gabriel Quinto, City of El Cerrito
- Supervisor Ahsha Safai, City of San Francisco
- Town of Windsor
- Vice Mayor Katherine Lee, City of Alhambra

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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[SB 379 full text.pdf](#)  
[SB 379 \(Solar Access Act\) Fact Sheet 1.7.22.pdf](#)

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Hi Jocelyn,

The full text and a fact sheet are attached. I can confirm that as of today, CSAC has not taken a position, and the League of Cities has taken a "watch" position, and that the item is routine and not controversial.

Thank you,

Jacob

**Jacob Bintliff**  
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**Subject:** RE: Introduction - Resolution supporting SB 379 re: solar permitting

Hi Jacob,

Thank you for the legislation submission.

Pursuant to [Board Rule 2.8.2](#), please provide the following to complete this submission:

- a copy of SB 379
- confirm that organizations such as the [California State Association of Counties](#) and [League of California Cities](#) have *not* taken a position on these bills. If they have, please provide a copy of their statement for completeness of the file.

- since the item is requested to be placed on the For Adoption Without Committee Reference of the agenda, pursuant to Board Rule 2.1.2, please confirm that these matters are routine, not contentious in nature, and of no special interest

Best regards,

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**Subject:** Introduction - Resolution supporting SB 379 re: solar permitting

Dear Clerk of the Board,

Please see the attached introduction form and resolution introduced today for consideration

without committee reference.

Thank you,

Jacob

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## Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

Time stamp  
or meeting date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- ☐ 1. For reference to Committee. (An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment).
- ☒ 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee.
- ☐ 3. Request for hearing on a subject matter at Committee.
- ☐ 4. Request for letter beginning : "Supervisor  inquiries"
- ☐ 5. City Attorney Request.
- ☐ 6. Call File No.  from Committee.
- ☐ 7. Budget Analyst request (attached written motion).
- ☐ 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- ☐ 9. Reactivate File No.
- ☐ 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on

Please check the appropriate boxes. The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following:

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- ☐ Planning Commission      ☐ Building Inspection Commission

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Sponsor(s):

Mandelman; Safai, Mar, Melgar

Subject:

[Supporting California State Senate Bill No. 379 (Wiener) – Residential Solar Energy Systems: Permitting]

Resolution supporting California State Senate Bill No. 379, Residential Solar Energy Systems: Permitting, introduced by Senator Scott Wiener, that would require certain jurisdictions to provide an online instant solar permitting process for residential solar and solar-plus-storage energy systems.

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor:

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