

HOUSE BILL 1692

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CF SB 760

By: **Delegate West**

Introduced and read first time: February 15, 2018

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Land Use – Solar Electric Generating Facility Siting – Prohibition on**
3 **Contiguous Parcels of Agricultural Land**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the siting of a solar electric generating facility on contiguous
5 parcels of certain agricultural land; applying the prohibition to charter counties and
6 Baltimore City; and generally relating to the siting of solar facilities.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Land Use

9 Section 1–401(b)(9); 1–601 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6. Miscellaneous”;
10 and 10–103(b)(10)

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2012 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Land Use

15 Section 1–401(b)(9) through (23) and 10–103(b)(10) through (19)

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2012 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Land Use**

21 1–401.

22 (b) The following provisions of this division apply to a charter county:

23 **(9) § 1–601 (SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY SITING);**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) The following provisions of this division apply to Baltimore City:

2 **(10) § 1-601 (SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY SITING);**

3 **[(10)] (11) § 4-104(b) (Limitations – Bicycle parking);**

4 **[(11)] (12) § 4-205 (Administrative adjustments);**

5 **[(12)] (13) § 4-207 (Exceptions – Maryland Accessibility Code);**

6 **[(13)] (14) § 4-210 (Permits and variances – Solar panels);**

7 **[(14)] (15) § 5-201(d) (Subdivision regulations – Burial sites);**

8 **[(15)] (16) Title 7, Subtitle 1 (Development Mechanisms);**

9 **[(16)] (17) Title 7, Subtitle 2 (Transfer of Development Rights);**

10 **[(17)] (18) Title 7, Subtitle 3 (Development Rights and Responsibilities**
11 **Agreements);**

12 **[(18)] (19) Title 7, Subtitle 4 (Inclusionary Zoning); and**

13 **[(19)] (20) Title 11, Subtitle 2 (Civil Penalty).**

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 2018.