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HB 2590: real estate disclosures; water; solar S/E: seller disclosure; water; solar; batteries Sponsor: Representative Griffin, LD 19 House Engrossed

<u>Overview</u>

Requires the seller's affidavit of disclosure for land divisions to contain applicable information on who hauls water to the property and the source of that water and whether the property has any battery energy storage devices. Additionally requires the seller to disclose in this affidavit information on the proper replacement and disposal of these devices.

<u>History</u>

Counties may adopt ordinances for staff review and approval of land divisions, which involve splitting a parcel of land into five or fewer lots, parcels or fractional interests, each of which is ten acres or smaller. A land division application will be approved if:

- 1) The resulting lots, parcels or fractional interests comply with applicable county zoning requirements;
- 2) The applicant provides documentation demonstrating legal access to the lots, parcels or fractional interests and evidence indicating that each lot, parcel or fractional interest is physically accessible by a two-wheel drive passenger motor vehicle; and
- 3) The applicant reserves the necessary and appropriate utility easements to serve each resulting lot, parcel or fractional interest.

An application can still be approved if it does not comply with these requirements provided the applicant confirms that no building or use permit will be issued until the lot, parcel or fractional interest complies with all the above requirements. A county may also grant a variance to any of the requirements (A.R.S. § 11-831).

Someone who sells lands resulting from a land division must provide a written affidavit of disclosure to a buyer at least seven days before the property is transferred to the buyer. A buyer has the right to rescind a sale within five days of receiving this affidavit. This affidavit of disclosure must include information on:

- 1) Whether the property is served by a water supply that requires transportation of water to the property;
- 2) Whether the property is served by a private water company, a municipal water provider, a private well or a shared well; and
- 3) Whether the property has any solar energy devices, including whether those devices are sold or leased (<u>A.R.S. § 33-422</u>)

Provisions

- 1. Requires that the affidavit of disclosure furnished to buyers of a land division include:
 - a) For properties served by water transported to the property, the name and contact information of the water hauler or water hauling company that currently services the property and the name and location of the water supply from which the water is currently being transported; and

- b) Disclosure of whether the property has either leased or owned battery energy storage devices and, if so, contact information for the leasing company. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Requires that the affidavit of disclosure be completed by the seller and contain all disclosures specified in statute. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Makes conforming changes. (Sec. 1)

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