THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, JULY 26, 2021

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the
- 2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions
- relating to condominiums, further providing for definitions;
- and, in management of the condominium, further providing for
- 5 powers of unit owners' association.
- 6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 7 hereby enacts as follows:
- 8 Section 1. Section 3103 of Title 68 of the Pennsylvania
- 9 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding definitions to read:
- 10 § 3103. Definitions.
- 11 The following words and phrases when used in this subpart and
- 12 in the declaration and bylaws shall have the meanings given to
- 13 them in this section unless specifically provided otherwise or
- 14 unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 15 * * *
- 16 "Detached roof." A roof of a unit that is solely owned by an
- 17 individual and is not designated as part of the common elements
- 18 in the governing documents of the association.
- 19 * * *

- 1 <u>"Solar energy system."</u> Any of the following that have the
- 2 primary purpose of providing for the collection, storage and
- 3 distribution of solar or radiant energy received from the sun to
- 4 <u>generate electricity:</u>
- 5 (1) A solar collection panel, film, shingle or other
- 6 <u>solar energy device.</u>
- 7 (2) A solar structural component fixed in an operating
- 8 position.
- 9 * * *
- 10 "Townhouse unit." A unit designed for a single family:
- 11 (1) that is constructed with attached walls to another
- 12 <u>unit on at least one side that extends from the foundation to</u>
- 13 <u>the roof;</u>
- 14 (2) that has at least two sides unattached to another
- 15 building; and
- 16 (3) for which the repair of the roof of the unit is
- designated as the responsibility of the owner of the unit and
- not the responsibility of the association.
- 19 * * *
- 20 Section 2. Section 3302 of Title 68 is amended by adding a
- 21 subsection to read:
- 22 § 3302. Powers of unit owners' association.
- 23 * * *
- 24 (c) Solar energy systems. -- Notwithstanding subsection (a),
- 25 the association may not prohibit or restrict the installation or
- 26 use of a solar energy system on a detached roof or townhouse
- 27 unit.
- 28 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.