

## HR 2447

### Low-Income Solar Act

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### Sponsor

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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 19, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 2479	Related bill	May 22, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
115 HR 3314	Related bill	May 22, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
115 S 987	Related bill	Jul 11, 2017: Star Print ordered on the bill.

## Low-Income Solar Act

This bill requires the Department of Energy to establish a loan and grant program for photovoltaic solar (a method of converting energy from the sun into electricity) installations in low-income and underserved areas for FY2018-FY2032.

Loans must be provided for: (1) community solar facilities that provide solar energy to low-income households, or (2) solar installations at federally subsidized affordable housing at multi-family complexes.

The community solar facilities must: (1) be owned by an organization of electricity consumers that own a share of the facility's solar electricity generation, (2) have a certain a nameplate rating (or power generation capacity), (3) be located in or near a community that uses the electricity generated by the facility, and (4) reserve at least 25% of the electricity generated for low-income households.

Grants must be given for: (1) solar electricity generating facilities installed on properties of eligible, low-income home owners; or (2) new solar projects for low-income households and individuals, including the costs of equipment and job training associated with solar projects.

## Actions Timeline

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- **May 19, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy.
- **May 16, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **May 16, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.