

## HR 1592

### SOLAR Act

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### Sponsor

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Rep. Finstad, Brad [R-MN-1]	R · MN		Feb 26, 2025
Rep. Scott, Austin [R-GA-8]	R · GA		Feb 26, 2025
Rep. Taylor, David [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Feb 26, 2025
Rep. Baird, James R. [R-IN-4]	R · IN		Sep 8, 2025
Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	R · MO		Mar 5, 2026

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 28, 2025

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 HR 7567	Related bill	<b>Apr 21, 2026:</b> Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 537.

## **Securing Our Lands and Resources Act or the SOLAR Act**

This bill prohibits the Department of Agriculture from providing financial assistance for certain projects that would result in the conversion of covered farmland for solar energy production.

Under the bill, *covered farmland* generally refers to prime farmland, unique farmland, and farmland that is of statewide or local importance. *Conversion* means any activity that results in the covered farmland no longer meeting certain requirements for agricultural production, activity, or use.

The bill includes an exception for certain smaller projects that result in the conversion of (1) less than 5 acres of covered farmland, or (2) less than 50 acres of covered farmland if the majority of the energy produced by the project is for on-farm use.

The bill also includes an exception for projects that have the approval or support from the local county and municipality. For these projects, the applicant must (1) develop a farmland conservation plan for the project (e.g., implementing best practices to protect future soil health and productivity), and (2) ensure that sufficient funds are provided for the decommissioning of the solar energy production system and the remediation and restoration of the farmland.



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