## **BILL SUMMARY**

1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

Bill No.: SB915 Version: FA1-A1

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Impact: No Impact

## **Research Analysis**

The amendment to the Floor substitute for SB 915 changes the solar panel height requirement. The amendment requires the solar panels to be constructed not less than 8 feet high from the lowest point of the panel.

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## Fiscal Analysis

The amendment to the floor amendment to SB 915 modifies the height provision of the solar panels referred to in this measure. Upon review, this amendment has no impact on the current fiscal analysis of the measure.

The floor amendment to SB 915 establishes guidelines for future commercial solar energy facilities constructed on land owned and leased by the Commissioners of the Land Office (CLO). The measure requires the owner of the commercial solar energy facility to pay ad valorem taxes on improvements made to the land. Per the CLO, there is no immediate fiscal impact to current beneficiaries of solar lease agreements, but the future impact of this measure is undeterminable at this time. Overall, this measure would have a minimal fiscal impact to the agency.

This measure directs the Corporation Commission to enforce the provisions and promulgate rules regarding these commercial solar energy facility requirements. The Corporation Commission estimates the total recurring fiscal impact of this measure to be One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000) along with a one-time fiscal impact of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to promulgate rules.

As written, the total fiscal impact of this measure on FY-26 budgetary resources is One Hundred Twenty Eight Thousand Dollars (\$128,000).

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

