

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the importance and significance of a coalition entitled Solar Opportunities Indiana (SOI).

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MR. PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing the importance
2 and significance of a coalition entitled Solar Opportunities
3 Indiana (SOI).

4 *Whereas, Solar Opportunities Indiana (SOI) consists of*
5 *municipalities, advocacy groups, post-secondary institutions,*
6 *faith-based organizations, and renewable energy experts that*
7 *support the deliverance of transformative solar financing and*
8 *access programs for households in Indiana's low-income and*
9 *disadvantaged communities;*

10 *Whereas, Throughout Indiana, SOI provides education and*
11 *outreach regarding solar installation and, for eligible*
12 *households, reduces or eliminates up-front costs and financing*
13 *gaps;*

14 *Whereas, A competition was designed to spur the*
15 *deployment of residential distributed solar energy to lower*
16 *energy bills for millions of Americans and catalyze*
17 *transformation in markets serving low-income and*
18 *disadvantaged communities;*



1 *Whereas, For over two years, SOI and its coalition partners*
2 *have planned and provided outreach for projects, but due to the*
3 *lack of funding they are facing difficulties in moving forward*
4 *and actualizing benefits for Indiana residents;*

5 *Whereas, These projects include funding to support micro-*
6 *grids, rooftop solar, resiliency hubs and infrastructure updates*
7 *as well as partnering with rural libraries, bolstering workforce*
8 *development, and providing technical support, which are now*
9 *all at risk; and*

10 *Whereas, Equitably advancing solar in Indiana will build*
11 *climate resilience while expanding economic opportunity in*
12 *Indiana and help bring down the cost of energy: Therefore,*

13 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
14 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

15 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate recognizes the
16 important and significant work of Solar Opportunities
17 Indiana to deliver benefits to Hoosier households and
18 businesses, including lowering energy costs, creating jobs,
19 community investment, and infrastructure funding.

20 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby
21 directed to transmit five copies of this Resolution to Solar
22 Opportunities Indiana.

