

HB 25-1006: SCHOOL DISTRICT SOLAR GARDEN LEASE TERM

Prime Sponsors:

Rep. Lukens; Hartsook

Sen. Bridges

Bill Outcome: Signed into Law

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Fiscal note status: The final fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary Information

Overview. The bill permits a school district to lease district property for any length of time if the property will be used for a solar field or for affordable housing.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

School Districts

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, school districts may rent or lease district property not needed for educational purposes for terms up to ten years. This bill allows a school district to rent or lease property for a solar field storage system or affordable housing for any length of time.

School Districts

The bill expands the authority of school districts to rent or lease property the district does not need. In limited cases, the bill may result in a minimal change in workload to update lease terms. If a school district leases its properties for solar fields or affordable housing, the district may collect revenues for a longer period of time than under current law.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 30, 2025, and takes effect on August 6, 2025, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Education