



November 19, 2024

Georgia House Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications Ad Hoc Committee on Community Solar

Dear Committee Members,

The National Hispanic Energy Council (NHEC) writes to express our opposition to House Bill 1152 regarding community solar.

As an organization dedicated to advocating for the Hispanic community's involvement and equity in the energy sector, NHEC recognizes the vital role that sound energy policy plays in ensuring that all Americans have access to affordable, reliable, and sustainable energy.

Our Hispanic communities, along with other underserved populations, often face higher energy costs and limited access to the benefits of a diversified energy mix. Affordable and reliable energy is fundamental to economic stability and growth, and this legislation if passed would have a negative impact on the Hispanic community here in Georgia.

This legislation would provide wealthy Georgians an incentive paid for by those who can least afford it.

NHEC supports all of the above energy solutions however there are better ways to provide and develop solar energy and not at the expense of hard working Hispanic communities throughout Georgia..

Thank you for your leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julio Fuentes".

Julio Fuentes
Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew Gonzales".

Matthew Gonzales
Vice Chairman