

## A. 3691 (Galef)

## Prohibits Homeowners' Associations from Restricting Solar Systems

The New York League of Conservation Voters supports A. 3691 (Galef), which prohibits homeowners' associations from restricting the installation of solar systems on homes in New York.

In order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and combat climate change, New York State aims to generate 50% of its energy from renewable sources by 2030. To accomplish this goal, solar generating systems and other forms of renewable energy must continue their ongoing expansion throughout the state. However, homeowners are often prevented from installing such systems on their homes by homeowners' associations. Several other states, including California, Arizona, and Florida, have enacted laws to stop such prohibitions.

A. 3691 would permit homeowners in New York to install solar systems on their homes by forbidding homeowners' associations from enacting such preventions. Creating a common standard for the installation of these systems empowers New Yorkers to transition to more sustainable energy use and save money on their power bills. This bill will help New York reduce its greenhouse gas emissions and meet its renewable energy goals.

NYLCV therefore supports A. 3691 and urges its passage.

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