

Whereas, New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 487 allows for an exemption for the increase in assessed value due to the installation of a qualifying solar/wind/etc energy system for up to 15 years, and

Whereas, the Town of Enfield has elected to stay in this exemption providing a 15-year exemption for qualifying systems, and

Whereas, Part 9a allows any municipal corporation to require a PILOT during the 15-year period where the energy improvements are exempt, and

Whereas, the PILOT amount can be up to the amount of taxes that would be paid if the property was subject to full taxation absent the 15-year exemption, and

Whereas, the Town of Enfield now has to respond to every notice of intent to build sent by a company, of the county's intent to require a PILOT, and

Whereas, Part 9b allows the Town of Enfield to put the public on notice that any energy system which could be exempt under this exemption would instead be required to pay a PILOT, and

Whereas, by enacting Part 9b, the Town of Enfield will no longer have to send a letter with 60-days in response to a company's notice of intent to build, now therefor let it be

Resolved, that the Town of Enfield will require a PILOT payment for any solar/wind/etc energy system greater than 500kW in size that would be equal to the amount of taxes that would be paid if the property was subject to full taxation absent the 15-year exemption.

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