

RON DESANTIS GOVERNOR

April 27, 2022

Secretary Laurel Lee Secretary of State R.A. Gray Building 500 South Bronough Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399



Dear Secretary Lee:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8 of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objection to Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill 741 (CS/CS/HB 741), enacted during the 124th Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session 2022 and entitled:

An act relating to Net Metering

The Legislature passed CS/CS/HB 741, which, in part, authorizes public utilities to impose additional charges to recover lost revenues resulting from residential solar generation that exceeds the public utility's estimate. The amount that may be recovered under this provision is speculative and would be borne by all customers.

Given that the United States is experiencing its worst inflation in 40 years and that consumers have seen steep increases in the price of gas and groceries, as well as escalating bills, the state of Florida should not contribute to the financial crunch that our citizens are experiencing.

For these reasons, I withhold my approval of CS/CS/HB 741 and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis Governor