Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB 2113 ER **Patron:** Herring
Bill Title: Solar Interconnection Grant Fund and Program; established, sunset, report.

Bill Summary: Establishes the Solar Interconnection Grant Program for the purpose of awarding grants on a competitive basis to public bodies to offset costs associated with the interconnection of solar facilities to the grid. The Program is administered by the Division of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency of the Department of Energy. The bill requires that priority be given to solar facilities located on previously developed project sites. The bill requires the Division to establish and publish guidelines and criteria for the awarding of grants and general requirements of the Program. The provisions of the bill expire on July 1, 2026.

Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes **Items Impacted:** 109

Explanation: The bill will result in expenses which the Department of is unable to absorb within existing appropriations. Budget amendments to HB 1600 approved by the House and Senate include $1.0 million to Energy for the implementation of this bill.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that the bill will result in a general fund expense of $150,000.

General Fund Expenditure Impact:

Agency	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030
Energy	-	$150,000	-	-	-	-

Fiscal Analysis: Energy anticipates that the workload to administer this program and produce the required annual report will be equivalent to one full time employee, resulting in an annual expense of $150,000.

HB 1600 as passed by the House and Senate includes $1.0 million to Energy for the implementation of this bill. It is unclear whether this amount is intended to support administrative expenses.

Other: None.