

564A.2 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "*Development of property*" means construction, landscaping, growth of vegetation, or other alteration of property that interferes with the operation of a solar collector.
2. "*Dominant estate*" means that parcel of land to which the benefits of a solar access easement attach.
3. "*Servient estate*" means land burdened by a solar access easement, other than the dominant estate.
4. "*Solar access easement*" means an easement recorded under section 564A.7, the purpose of which is to provide continued access to incident sunlight necessary to operate a solar collector.
5. "*Solar access regulatory board*" means the board designated by a city council or county board of supervisors under section 564A.3 to receive and act on applications for a solar access easement or in the absence of a specific designation, the district court having jurisdiction in the area where the dominant estate is located. Notwithstanding chapter 602 the jurisdiction of the district court established in this subsection may be exercised by district associate judges.
6. "*Solar collector*" means a device or structural feature of a building that collects solar energy and that is part of a system for the collection, storage, and distribution of solar energy. For purposes of this chapter, a greenhouse is a solar collector.
7. "*Solar energy*" means energy emitted from the sun and collected in the form of heat or light by a solar collector.

[81 Acts, ch 184, § 4]