

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]