



Support Solar in Florida

*Bi-Partisan Policy Lowers Energy Bills and Solar Costs
for Homeowners & Businesses*

Vote Yes on Amendment 4 in August for Lower Energy Costs, Lower Taxes, and More Solar

Amendment 4 will amend Florida's Constitution to exempt the value of solar panels and other renewable energy equipment from both the tangible personal property tax and the real property tax. To become law, Amendment 4 must be approved by a YES vote of at least 60 percent on the Aug. 30 primary ballot.

Why Support Tax Reductions on Solar Equipment

Several barriers are holding back the solar market in Florida, including the burdensome tangible personal property tax and the real property tax on solar equipment. Amendment 4 will remove those two barriers, lowering bills and energy costs, reducing pollution, and allowing more Florida homes and businesses access to affordable solar power.

One out of every 83 new jobs created in the US in 2015 was in the solar industry, according to the Solar Foundation 2015 Job Census.

In addition to helping customers lock in energy cost savings, and reducing pollution for a more sustainable energy future, Amendment 4 will encourage solar companies to move into Florida, creating new jobs that support the local economy. The solar industry is creating jobs 20 times faster than the overall economy. The vast

majority of those jobs are living-wage opportunities that cannot be outsourced, keeping energy dollars right here at home. It's a win-win for the whole state.

Florida has the most solar energy potential east of the Mississippi, yet isn't a leader on solar power. Vote YES on Amendment 4 to lower bills and allow solar energy to flourish in Florida.

The full text of the Amendment 4 as it will read on the ballot: Solar Devices or Renewable Energy Source Devices; Exemption from Certain Taxation and Assessment –

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize the Legislature, by general law, to exempt from ad valorem taxation the assessed value of solar or renewable energy source devices subject to tangible personal property tax, and to authorize the legislature, by general law, to prohibit consideration of such devices in assessing the value of real property for ad valorem taxation purposes. This amendment takes effect January 1, 2018, and expires on December 31, 2037.

Learn more and get involved at www.yeson4.org. Amendment 4 is a grassroots supported, bi-partisan proposal, not to be confused with the utility-backed proposal on the November ballot. This is paid for by Floridians 4 Lower Energy Costs, a non-profit 501 (c)(4) organization.



Why #Vote4Solar?

Learn About Amendment 4 Get Ready to Vote YES in August

What will it do? Amendment 4 would allow for a property tax exemption for people who install solar panels on their home or business. The value of the solar panels would be exempt from property taxes when assessing the value of the home or business, lowering the cost of solar and energy.



Why vote for Amendment 4?

Lower taxes on solar = lower bills, a sustainable future for Florida, increased access to more affordable solar, and new local jobs.



Amendment 4 Empowers Floridians To Be Energy Independent

Floridians WANT to go solar but are currently faced with barriers that can make clean solar energy seem out of reach. By lowering the taxes on solar, Amendment 4 makes solar energy more affordable for businesses and homeowners in Florida.

Amendment 4 Paves the Way for a Sustainable Florida

Solar is clean and safe energy, with zero emissions and zero water usage. By lowering the cost of solar, more people will have access to this clean energy source, helping ensure a bright and sunny future for Florida

Amendment 4 Reduces Monthly Power Bills

While every solar system is different, most solar customers, both business and residential, can lock in long term savings on their monthly power bill by going solar. Once Amendment 4 passes, a residential solar lease can save a homeowner hundreds off their power bill through the life of the contract by locking in a lower rate, while utility rates continue to rise. One of the largest utilities in Florida just proposed a 24% rate increase over the next four years; affordable solar helps protect Floridians from rate hikes and provides financial stability and certainty.



Amendment 4 Creates Local Jobs

One out of every 83 new jobs created in the US last year was in the solar industry. Voting YES on Amendment 4 will allow the solar industry to grow in the Sunshine State, creating local jobs that cannot be outsourced.

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