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AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 814, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by inserting after all of said line the following:
"67.2800. 1. Sections 67.2800 to [67.2835] <u>67.2840</u> shall be known and may be cited as the
"Property Assessment Clean Energy Act". 2. As used in sections 67.2800 to [67.2835] 67.2840, the following words and terms shall mean:
(1) "Assessment contract", a contract entered into between a clean energy development board and
a property owner under which the property owner agrees to pay an annual assessment for a period of up to
twenty years <u>not to exceed the weighted average useful life of the qualified improvements</u> in exchange for
financing of an energy efficiency improvement or a renewable energy improvement;
(2) "Authority", the state environmental improvement and energy resources authority established
under section 260.010;
(3) "Bond", any bond, note, or similar instrument issued by or on behalf of a clean energy
development board;
(4) "Clean energy conduit financing", the financing of energy efficiency improvements or renewable
energy improvements for a single parcel of property or a unified development consisting of multiple
adjoining parcels of property under section 67.2825;
(5) "Clean energy development board", a board formed by one or more municipalities under
section 67.2810;
(6) "Director", the director of the division of finance within the department of commerce and
insurance;
(7) "Division", the division of finance within the department of commerce and insurance;
(8) "Energy efficiency improvement", any acquisition, installation, or modification on or of publicly
or privately owned property designed to reduce the energy consumption of such property, including but not
limited to:
(a) Insulation in walls, roofs, attics, floors, foundations, and heating and cooling distribution
systems;
(b) Storm windows and doors, multiglazed windows and doors, heat-absorbing or heat-reflective
windows and doors, and other window and door improvements designed to reduce energy consumption;
(c) Automatic energy control systems;
(d) Heating, ventilating, or air conditioning distribution system modifications and replacements;
(e) Caulking and weatherstripping;
(f) Replacement or modification of lighting fixtures to increase energy efficiency of the lighting
system without increasing the overall illumination of the building unless the increase in illumination is
necessary to conform to applicable state or local building codes;
(g) Energy recovery systems; and
(h) Daylighting systems;

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1 [(7)] (9) "Municipality", any county, city, or incorporated town or village of this state; 2 [(8)] (10) "Program administrator", an individual or entity selected by the clean energy 3 development board to administer the PACE program, but this term does not include an employee of a 4 county or municipal government assigned to a clean energy development board or a public employee 5 employed by a clean energy development board who is paid from appropriated general tax revenues; 6 (11) "Project", any energy efficiency improvement or renewable energy improvement; 7 (9) (12) "Property assessed clean energy local finance fund", a fund that may be established by 8 the authority for the purpose of making loans to clean energy development boards to establish and 9 maintain property assessed clean energy programs; 10 [(13) "Property assessed clean energy program" or "PACE program", a program established by 11 a clean energy development board to finance energy efficiency improvements or renewable energy 12 improvements under section 67.2820; 13 [(11)] (14) "Renewable energy improvement", any acquisition and installation of a fixture, product, 14 system, device, or combination thereof on publicly or privately owned property that produces energy from 15 renewable resources, including, but not limited to photovoltaic systems, solar thermal systems, wind 16 systems, biomass systems, or geothermal systems. 17 3. All projects undertaken under sections 67.2800 to [67.2835] 67.2840 are subject to the 18 applicable municipality's ordinances and regulations, including but not limited to those ordinances and 19 regulations concerning zoning, subdivision, building, fire safety, and historic or architectural review. 20 67.2810. 1. One or more municipalities may form clean energy development boards for the 21 purpose of exercising the powers described in sections 67.2800 to [67.2835] 67.2840. Each clean energy 22 development board shall consist of not less than three members, as set forth in the ordinance or order 23 establishing the clean energy development board. Members shall serve terms as set forth in the ordinance 24 or order establishing the clean energy development board and shall be appointed: 25 (1) If only one municipality is participating in the clean energy development board, by the chief 26 elected officer of the municipality with the consent of the governing body of the municipality; or 27 (2) If more than one municipality is participating, in a manner agreed to by all participating 28 municipalities. 29 2. A clean energy development board shall be a political subdivision of the state and shall have all 30 powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the provisions of sections 67.2800 to 31 [67.2835] 67.2840, including but not limited to the following: 32 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws, which are not inconsistent with sections 67.2800 to 33 [67.2835] 67.2840; 34 (2) To adopt an official seal; 35 (3) To sue and be sued; 36 (4) To make and enter into contracts and other instruments with public and private entities; 37 (5) To accept grants, guarantees, and donations of property, labor, services, and other things of 38 value from any public or private source; 39 (6) To employ or contract for such managerial, legal, technical, clerical, accounting, or other 40 assistance it deems advisable; 41 (7) To levy and collect special assessments under an assessment contract with a property owner 42 and to record such special assessments as a lien on the property; 43 (8) To borrow money from any public or private source and issue bonds and provide security for the 44 repayment of the same; 45 (9) To finance a project under an assessment contract; 46 (10) To collect reasonable fees and charges in connection with making and servicing assessment 47 contracts and in connection with any technical, consultative, or project assistance services offered; 48 (11) To invest any funds not required for immediate disbursement in obligations of the state of 49 Missouri or of the United States or any agency or instrumentality thereof, or in bank certificates of deposit; 50 provided, however, the limitations on investments provided in this subdivision shall not apply to proceeds

- 1 acquired from the sale of bonds which are held by a corporate trustee; and 2 (12) To take whatever actions necessary to participate in and administer a clean energy conduit 3 financing or a property assessed clean energy program. 4 3. No later than July first of each year, the clean energy development board shall file with each 5 municipality that participated in the formation of the clean energy development board and with the director 6 of the department of natural resources an annual report for the preceding calendar year that includes: 7 (1) A brief description of each project financed by the clean energy development board during the 8 preceding calendar year, which shall include the physical address of the property, the name or names of the 9 property owner, an itemized list of the costs of the project, and the name of any contractors used to 10 complete the project; 11 (2) The amount of assessments due and the amount collected during the preceding calendar year; 12 (3) The amount of clean energy development board administrative costs incurred during the 13 preceding calendar year; 14 (4) The estimated cumulative energy savings resulting from all energy efficiency improvements 15 financed during the preceding calendar year; and 16 (5) The estimated cumulative energy produced by all renewable energy improvements financed 17 during the preceding calendar year. 18 4. No lawsuit to set aside the formation of a clean energy development board or to otherwise 19 question the proceedings related thereto shall be brought after the expiration of sixty days from the 20 effective date of the ordinance or order creating the clean energy development board. No lawsuit to set 21 aside the approval of a project, an assessment contract, or a special assessment levied by a clean energy 22 development board, or to otherwise question the proceedings related thereto shall be brought after the 23 expiration of sixty days from the date that the assessment contract is executed."; and 24 25 Further amend said bill, Page 1, Section 67.2815, Lines 2 to 9, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in 26 lieu thereof the following: 27 28 "contract or levy or collect a special assessment for a project without making a finding that there are 29 sufficient resources to complete the project and that the estimated economic benefit expected from the 30 project during the financing period is equal to or greater than the cost of the project."; and 31 32 Further amend said bill and section, Page 2, Lines 37 to 49, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu 33 thereof the following: 34 35 "4. The clean energy development board shall provide a copy of each signed assessment contract to 36 the local [county] assessor and [county] collector for the county, or city not within a county, and shall cause 37 a copy of such assessment contract to be recorded in the real estate records of the [county] recorder of 38 deeds for the county, or city not within a county. 39 5. Special assessments agreed to under an assessment contract shall be a lien on the property 40 against which it is assessed on behalf of the applicable clean energy development board from the date that 41 each annual assessment under the assessment contract becomes due. Such special assessments shall be 42 collected by the [county] collector for the county, or city not within a county, in the same manner and with 43 the same priority as ad valorem real property taxes, subject to the provisions of subsection 8 of this section. 44 Once collected, the [county] collector for the county, or city not within a county, shall pay over such special 45 assessment revenues to the clean energy development board in the same manner in which revenues from 46 ad valorem real property taxes are paid to other taxing districts. Such special assessments shall be collected 47 as provided in this subsection from all subsequent property owners, including the state and all political 48 subdivisions thereof, for the term of the assessment contract."; and 49
- 50 Further amend said section, Page 3, Lines 56 to 67, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof

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2 3	"7 Sections (7.2016, (7.2017, (7.2010, and (7.2010, shall apply only to DACE programs for projects
3 4	"7. Sections 67.2816, 67.2817, 67.2818, and 67.2819 shall apply only to PACE programs for projects
5	to improve residential properties of four or fewer units. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the
6	contrary, any clean energy development board formed to improve commercial properties, properties owned
0 7	by non-profit or not-for-profit entities, governmental properties, or non-residential properties in excess of
8	four residential units shall be exempt from the provisions of sections 67.2816, 67.2817, 67.2818, and
8 9	67.2819, nor shall such sections apply to the commercial PACE programs and commercial PACE assessment
	contracts of any clean energy development board engaged in both commercial and residential property
10	programs. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any clean energy development board that
11	ceases to finance new projects to improve residential properties of four or fewer units before January 1,
12	2022, shall be exempt from the provisions of sections 67.2816, 67.2817, 67.2818, and 67.2819.
13	8. After January 1, 2022, a residential property assessment contract shall not be approved by the
14	clean energy development board, or otherwise presented for recordation, unless the clean energy
15	development board verifies that written consent to the residential property assessment contract has been
16	obtained from every existing lien holder on the property if the amount of the contract is more than ten
17	percent of the market value of the property. No lien holder shall be required or compelled to compromise
18	their security interest by providing consent and may refuse to consent to the residential property
19 20	assessment contract becoming effective. Such consent shall be attached to the assessment contract that is
20	filed with the recorder of deeds office. A residential property assessment contract that is only for heating,
21	ventilating, or air conditioning distribution system modifications and replacements shall not require
22	<u>consent.</u> "; and
23 24	Further amond said section, Dags 2, Line 67, by incerting ofter all of said line the following:
2 4 25	Further amend said section, Page 3, Line 67, by inserting after all of said line the following:
23 26	"C7 2016 1 Municipalities that have greated or joined a residential DACE program or district shall
20 27	"67.2816. 1. Municipalities that have created or joined a residential PACE program or district shall
28	inform the director by submitting a copy of the enabling ordinance to the division. Any municipality that
28 29	withdraws from a residential PACE program or district shall inform the director by submitting a copy of the enabling ordinance for the withdrawal to the division.
30	<u>2. Clean energy development boards offering residential property programs in the state of Missouri</u>
31	and their program administrator shall be subject to examination by the division for compliance with the
32	provisions of sections 67.2800 to 67.2840 related to the administration of programs for residential
33	properties.
34	<u>3. The division shall conduct an examination of each clean energy development board at least once</u>
35	every twenty-four months. The functions, powers, and duties of the director shall include the authority to
36	adopt, promulgate, amend, and repeal rules necessary and proper for the administration of the director's
37	duties under sections 67.2800 to 67.2840, subject to the requirements of sections 361.105 and 536.024.
38	4. The division shall provide each completed examination of a clean energy development board to
39	the municipality that has joined a residential PACE program operated by such board or district in which such
40	board operates.
41	5. The clean energy development board and its program administrator or other agents shall be
42	jointly and severally responsible for paying the actual costs of examinations, not to exceed five thousand
43	dollars, which the director shall assess upon the completion of an examination and be credited to the
44	division of finance fund established under section 361.170 and subject to the provisions thereof.
45	67.2817. 1. Notwithstanding any other contractual agreement to the contrary, each assessment
46	contract shall be reviewed, approved, and executed by the clean energy development board and these
47	duties shall not be delegated. Any attempted delegations of these duties shall be void.
48	<u>2. An assessment contract shall not be approved, executed, submitted, or otherwise presented for</u>
49	recordation unless a clean energy development board verifies that the following criteria are satisfied:
50	(1) The PACE assessments are assessed in equal annual installments;

1	(2) The PACE assessment may be paid in full at any time without prepayment penalty. The pay-off
2	letter shall specify the amount of any fee or charge by a lender or loan service agent to obtain the total
3	balance due. The release of the assessment shall be recorded within thirty days of the receipt of the
4	amounts identified in the pay-off letter;
5	(3) The assessment contract shall disclose applicable penalties, interest penalties, or late fees under
6	the contract and describe generally the interest and penalties imposed under chapter 140 relating to the
7	collection of delinquent property taxes;
8	(4) The clean energy development board shall provide a separate statement to the owner of the
9	residential property of the penalties or late fees authorized under the assessment contract and of the
10	penalties and interest penalties under chapter 140 for the applicable tax collector as of the date of the
11	assessment contract;
12	(5) The clean energy development board has confirmed that the property owner is current on
13	property taxes for the project property;
14	(6) The property that shall be subject to the assessment contract has no recorded and outstanding
15	involuntary liens in excess of one thousand dollars;
16	(7) The property owner shall not currently be a party to any bankruptcy proceeding where any
17	existing lien holder of the property is named as a creditor;
18	(8) The term of the assessment contract shall not exceed the weighted average useful life of the
19	qualified improvements to which the greatest portion of funds disbursed under the assessment contract is
20	attributable, not to exceed twenty years. The clean energy development board shall determine useful life
21	for purposes of this subdivision based upon credible third-party standards or certification criteria that have
22	been established by appropriate government agencies or nationally recognized standards and testing
23	organizations;
24	(9) The property owner is current on all mortgage debt on the subject property and has no more
25	than one late payment during the twelve months immediately preceding the application date on any
26	mortgage debt; and
27	(10) The clean energy development board shall not enter into an assessment contract or levy or
28	collect a special assessment for a project without making a finding that there are sufficient resources to
29	complete the project and that the estimated economic benefit expected from the project during the
30	financing period is equal to or greater than the cost of the project.
31	3. Any assessment contract for a project that costs between eighty percent and ninety-seven
32	percent of the fair market value of the benefitted property prior to the project shall include provision of an
33	insurance policy providing coverage for any remaining cost of fulfilling the assessment contract, including
34	any accumulated interest, in the event the property is foreclosed upon. Such insurance policy shall run with
35	the land in the same manner as the other obligations set forth in the assessment contract.
36	The property owner executing the PACE assessment contract shall have a three-day right to
37	cancel the qualifying improvements proposed for financing under the PACE assessment contract. The three-
38	day right to cancel shall expire at midnight of the third business day after a property owner signs the
39	assessment contract. The clean energy development board shall be required to provide a printed form that
40	is presented to the property owner no later than the time of signing of the assessment contract detailing
41	the property owner's right to cancel. An electronic form may be provided if the owner consents
42	electronically to receiving an electronic form.
43	5. Prior to the execution of an assessment contract, the clean energy development board shall
44	advise the property owner in writing that any delinquent assessment shall be a lien on the property subject
45	to the assessment contract and that the obligations under the PACE assessment contract continue as an
46	obligation against the improved property if the property owner sells or refinances the property and that a
47	purchaser or lender may require that before the owner may sell or refinance the property that the owner
48	may be required to pay the assessment contract in full.
49	6. Prior to the execution of an assessment contract, the clean energy development board shall
50	advise the property owner in writing that if the property owner pays his or her property taxes and special

1	assessments via a lender or loan servicer's escrow program, the special assessment will cause the owner's
2	monthly escrow requirements to increase and increase the owner's total monthly payment to the lender or
3	the loan servicer. The clean energy development board shall further advise the property owner that if the
4	special assessment results in an escrow shortage that the owner will be required to pay the shortage in a
5	lump-sum payment or catch-up the shortage over twelve months.
6	7. The clean energy development board, within three days of entering an assessment contract, shall
7	provide any holder of a first mortgage loan a copy of the assessment contract and a statement that includes
8	a brief description of the project, the cost of the project, the annual assessment that will be levied, and the
9	number of annual assessments. Transmittal shall be by United States mail to the holder of the first
10	mortgage loan of record.
11	8. The clean energy development board shall maintain a public website with current information
12	about the PACE program as the board deems appropriate to inform consumers regarding the PACE program.
13	The website shall list approved contractors for the PACE program. The website shall disclose the process for
14	property owners or their successors to request information about the assessment contract, the status of the
15	assessment contract, and for all questions including contract information to obtain a payoff amount for the
16	release of an assessment contract.
17	9. The clean energy development board, its agents, contractor, or other third party shall not make
18	any representation as to the income tax deductibility of an assessment.
19 20	10. The primary existing lien holder for a property shall have three business days to deny an
20	assessment contract.
21 22	67.2818. 1. Any requirements and consumer protections established by federal law and
22	regulations, and any amendments thereto, applicable to property assessed clean energy financing, shall
23 24	apply to residential assessment contracts made pursuant to sections 67.2800 to 67.2840. Additionally, the
24	clean energy development board shall consider the financial ability of the property owner to repay the
26	assessment contract.
27	2. The clean energy development board shall not enter into an assessment contract or levy or collect a special assessment for a project if the cash price of the residential project is more than twenty
28	percent of the market value in money of the property as determined by reference to the county assessment
29	records for tax purposes for the most recent completed assessment by the county assessor.
30	3. The clean energy development board shall not enter into an assessment contract or levy or
31	collect a special assessment for a project if the PACE assessment contract combined with any existing and
32	outstanding indebtedness secured by the property exceeds ninety-seven percent of the current market
33	value of the property as determined by reference to the county assessment records for tax purposes for the
34	most recent completed assessment by the county assessor.
35	<u>4. The clean energy development board shall provide a disclosure form to homeowners that shows</u>
36	the financing terms of the assessment contract including, but not limited to:
37	(1) The total amount funded and borrowed, including the cost of the installed improvements, the
38	program fees, and capitalized interest, if any;
39	(2) The annual tax assessment, billing process, and payment due date;
40	(3) The annual payment amounts;
41	(4) The term of the assessment;
42	(5) The fixed rate of interest charged;
43	(6) The annual percentage rate;
44	(7) A payment schedule that fully amortizes the amount financed;
45	(8) The improvements to be installed;
46	(9) A statement that if the property owner sells or refinances the property that the owner may be
47	required by a mortgage lender or a purchaser to pay off the assessment as a condition of refinancing or sale;
48	(10) A statement that no penalty shall be assessed or collected for prepayment of the assessment
49	and the specific amount of any fee or charge by a lender or loan servicing agent to obtain the total balance
50	due in a pay-off letter and the recording of a release of the assessment which shall be recorded within thirty

1	days of the receipt of the amount identified in the pay-off letter;
2	(11) That the PACE annual assessment shall be collected along with property taxes and that any
3	taxes and annual assessment not paid on or before December thirty-first shall result in a lien on the
4	improved property for the unpaid taxes, unpaid annual assessment, interest, and penalties as provided by
5	law;
6	(12) That if the owner pays property taxes and insurance through his or her mortgage payment and
7	an escrow account, that the special assessment will cause the owner's monthly escrow requirements to
8	increase and increase the owner's monthly payment to the lender or the loan servicer and that if the special
9	assessment results in an escrow shortage that the owner shall be required to pay the shortage in a lump-
10	sum payment or catch-up the shortage over twelve months;
11	(13) That failure to timely pay the annual assessment and taxes will result in a tax lien and penalties
12	and fees being assessed and added to the annual assessment and taxes, and that if the delinquency is not
13	paid, the property could be sold at a tax sale resulting in issuance of a tax certificate or collector's deed to a
14	purchaser that could result in the property owner losing his or her home; and
15	(14) That the property owner should seek professional tax advice if he or she has questions
16	regarding tax credits related to a PACE project or the tax matters presented by the assessment contract or
17	financing agreement and payments thereunder.
18	5. The clean energy development board shall be required to present the disclosure form to a
19	property owner for acknowledgment prior to the execution of an assessment contract.
20	6. Before a property owner executes an assessment contract, the clean energy development board
21	shall do the following:
22	(1) Make a verbal confirmation that at least one owner of the property has a copy of the
23	assessment contract documents with all the key terms completed, the financing estimate and disclosure
24	form, and the right-to-cancel form with a written copy available upon request; and
25	(2) Make a verbal confirmation of the key terms of the assessment contract, in plain language, with
26	the property owner, or to the verified authorized representative of the owner, and shall obtain
27	acknowledgment from the property owner or representative to whom the verbal confirmation is given.
28	7. The verbal confirmation shall include, but is not limited to, all the following information:
29	(1) The property owner has the right to have other persons present, and an inquiry as to whether
30	the property owner would like to exercise the right to include other individuals. This inquiry shall occur
31	immediately after the determination of the preferred language of communication;
32	(2) The property owner is informed that he or she should review the assessment contract and
33	financing estimate and disclosure form with all other owners of the property;
34	(3) The qualified improvement being installed is being financed by an assessment contract;
35	(4) The total estimated annual costs the property owner will have to pay under the assessment
36	contract, including applicable fees;
37	(5) The total estimated average monthly amount of funds the property owner would have to save in
38	order to pay the annual costs under the assessment contract, including applicable fees;
39	(6) The term of the assessment contract;
40	(7) That payments on the assessment contract shall be made through an additional annual
41	assessment on the property and paid either directly to the county tax collector's office as part of the total
42	annual secured property tax bill or through the property owner's mortgage escrow account, and that if the
43	property owner pays his or her taxes through an escrow account, he or she should notify his or her
44	mortgage lender to discuss adjusting his or her monthly mortgage payment or otherwise providing
45	additional funds to avoid a shortage in the owner's mortgage escrow account;
46	(8) That the property shall be subject to a lien during the term of the assessment contract for any
47	delinquent assessments;
48	(9) That before the owner may sell or refinance the property, a purchaser or lender may require the
49	obligation under the assessment contract to be paid in full;
50	(10) That the clean energy development board, its agents contractor, or other third party does not

1	provide tax advice, and that the property owner should seek professional tax advice if he or she has
2	guestions regarding tax credits related to the project or the tax matters presented by the PACE assessment
3	or assessment contract; and
4	(11) The date the first payment shall be due.
5	67.2819. 1. The clean energy development board or its agents shall not permit contractors or other
6	third parties to advertise the availability of residential assessment contracts that are administered by the
7	board, or to solicit property owners on behalf of the board, unless both of the following requirements are
8	met:
9	(1) The contractor maintains any permits, licenses, or registrations required for engaging in its
10	business in the jurisdiction where it operates and maintains bond and insurance coverage in minimum
11	amounts determined by the clean energy development board or higher amounts as required in the
12	jurisdiction where the contractor is licensed or registered; and
13	(2) The clean energy development board or its agents obtain the contractor's written agreement
14	that the contractor or third party shall act in accordance with chapter 407 and other applicable advertising
15	and marketing laws and regulations.
16	2. The clean energy development board or its agents shall not provide any direct or indirect cash
17	payment or other thing of material value to a contractor or third party in excess of the actual price charged
18	by that contractor or third party to the property owner for one or more qualified improvements financed by
19	an assessment contract.
20	3. The clean energy development board or its agents shall not provide to a contractor engaged in
21	soliciting financing agreements on behalf of the clean energy development board or its agents any
22	information that discloses the maximum amount of funds for which a property owner may be eligible for
23	gualifying improvements or the amount of equity in a property.
24	4. The clean energy development board or its agents shall not reimburse a contractor or third party
25	for expenses for advertising and marketing campaigns that solely benefit the contractor.
26	5. The clean energy development board or its agents may reimburse a contractor's bona fide and
27	reasonable training expenses related to PACE financing, provided that:
28	(1) The training expenses are actually incurred by the contractor; and
29	(2) The reimbursement is paid directly to the contractor, and is not paid to its salespersons or
30	agents.
31	6. The clean energy development board or its agents shall not provide any direct cash payment or
32	other thing of value to a property owner explicitly conditioned upon the property owner entering into an
33	assessment contract. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection to the contrary, programs or
34	promotions that offer reduced fees or interest rates to property owners are not a direct cash payment or
35	other thing of value, provided that the reduced fee or interest rate is reflected in the assessment contract
36	and in no circumstance provided to the property owner as cash consideration. A contractor shall not
37	provide a different price for a project financed under this section than the contractor would provide if paid
38	in cash by the property owner.
39	67.2840. 1. Sections 67.2816, 67.2817, 67.2818, and 67.2819 shall be effective and apply to the
40	residential PACE programs of clean energy development boards and participating municipalities after
41	January 1, 2022.
42	2. Sections 67.2816, 67.2817, 67.2818, and 67.2819 shall be effective and apply to residential PACE
43	assessment contracts entered into after January 1, 2022."; and
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45	Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references

46 accordingly.