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H.496

SHORT FORM

Introduced by Representative Harrison of Chittenden

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Conservation and development; solid waste; extended producer
responsibility; solar panels

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require each solar panel manufacturer selling or distributing solar panels in the State to establish a program for the collection, transportation, and recycling of out-of-service solar panels. The bill would require that manufacturers offer collection and recycling of out-of-service solar panels free of charge and free of retail fees. The bill would require solar panel manufacturers to develop a collection plan that addresses convenience of collection, collection rates, educational information, and compliance with environmental laws and standards. On and after July 1, 2023, a solar panel manufacturer would be required to participate in a collection program in order to sell or distribute solar panels in the State, and no person could sell the manufacturer's solar panels at wholesale or retail unless the manufacturer participated in a collection program. In addition, the bill would require any contractor removing out-of-service solar panels from a structure to deliver the removed panels to a collection site.

