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**PROPERTY—Clean energy assessment districts.**

*L. 2011, H56, generally effective 05/25/2011*, amends provisions relating to clean energy assessment districts. Beginning January 1, 2012, the past due balances of any special assessments imposed by a clean energy assessment district become due for payment at the time of a transfer of property ownership, including foreclosure. In the event of a foreclosure action, the "past due balances" include all payments on an assessment that are due and unpaid as of the date the action is filed, and all payments on the assessment that become due after that date and that accrue up to and including the date title to the property is transferred; the person or entity acquiring title to the property in the foreclosure action is responsible for payments on the assessment that become due after the acquisition date. Municipalities that establish a clean energy assessment district are required to participate in a reserve fund created for use in paying past due balances, in the event that a property is foreclosed upon, and the proceeds resulting from the foreclosure, after all superior liens have been satisfied, are insufficient to pay those past due balances. The reserve fund is funded by participating property owners through contributions that are included in the special assessment attributable to their properties.

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