

2025-2026 #79 - Final

*Be it enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **add** Section 17 to Article XVIII as follows:

**Section 17. Energy choice.**

(1) **DEFINITIONS.** AS USED IN THIS SECTION:

- (a) “ENERGY” MEANS THE METHOD OF GENERATION OR THE FUEL SOURCE.
- (b) “CONSUMER” MEANS ANY PERSON WHO IS THE BUYER OR USER OF A PRODUCT.

(2) **ENERGY CHOICE.** CONSUMERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE FROM COMMONLY USED ENERGY SOURCES, SUCH AS SOLAR, WIND, ELECTRICITY, NATURAL GAS, GASOLINE, AND PROPANE, TO FUEL THEIR OWN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES. A CONSUMER MAY EXERCISE THE RIGHT WITHOUT ENCUMBRANCES, AND THE RIGHT INCLUDES BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO ENERGY CHOICE RELATED TO:

- (a) CURRENT AND FUTURE ENERGY SERVICE CONNECTIONS IN A HOME OR BUSINESS;
- (b) PURCHASE AND USE OF VEHICLES, AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT, OR SMALL POWER AND LAWN EQUIPMENT; AND
- (c) PURCHASE AND USE OF INDOOR AND OUTDOOR COOKING APPLIANCES AND GRILLS, HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEMS, AND HOME APPLIANCES.

(3) **PUBLIC SAFETY EXCEPTION.** THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO HEALTH OR SAFETY RESTRICTIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, OR ITS SUCCESSOR, OR IN CASE OF A PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY, SUCH AS FIRE OR NATURAL DISASTER.

**SECTION 2. Effective date.**

This act shall take effect upon proclamation by the Governor announcing the approval, by the registered electors of the state, of the proposed initiative.