

2023-2024 #226 - 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 – definitions.

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

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

(2) **ENERGY CHOICE.** SUBJECT TO ARTICLE XXV OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, CONSUMERS SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE FROM ENERGY SOURCES IN COMMON USE, SUCH AS SOLAR, WIND, ELECTRICITY, NATURAL GAS, GASOLINE, AND PROPANE, TO FUEL THEIR OWN PRODUCTS AND SERVICES. THIS RIGHT SHALL NOT BE ENCUMBERED AND SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE 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; OR
- (c) PURCHASE AND USE OF INDOOR AND OUTDOOR COOKING APPLIANCES AND GRILLS; HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEMS; AND HOME APPLIANCES.

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.