

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, title 40, **add** article 44 as follows:

40-44-101. Energy choice – declaration – definitions.

- (1) **DEFINITIONS.** AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
 - (A) “ENERGY” MEANS THE METHOD OF GENERATION OR THE FUEL SOURCE USED TO PROVIDE OR SUPPLY UTILITY SERVICE TO A CONSUMER INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENERGY SOURCES USED FOR ELECTRICITY, COOKING, HEAT AND OTHER SERVICES.
 - (B) “CONSUMER” IS DEFINED AS ANY PERSON WHO IS THE BUYER, LESSEE OR USER OF A PRODUCT.
- (2) STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MUST ALLOW CONSUMER CHOICE IN CURRENT AND FUTURE ENERGY USE IN A HOME OR BUSINESS.

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.