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This compilation of state statutory citations focuses predominantly on climate change laws in effect January 1, 1970 through August 31, 2010. In some instances, regulations have been included in the compilation due to their significance. This compilation is intended to serve as a researcher-friendly inventory of state laws by providing the formal title of relevant legislation, the standard legal citation for each statute and a brief description of the law. Some statutes and regulations listed do not specifically relate to climate change, but are included because of their complementary relationship to the evolution of climate change law in the state.

| Title | Citation | Description |
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| Green Infrastructure for Clean Water Act; legislative findings (2009) | §415 ILL. COMP. STAT. 56/10 | Legislature finds that green infrastructure will assist in the mitigation of and adaptation to impacts from climate change. |
| Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact (2007) | §45 ILL. COMP. STAT. 147/5 | Compact between IL, IN, MI, MN, NY, OH, WI, and PA to, among other things, give substantive consideration to climate change as a threat to the Basin Waters. |
| Kyoto Protocol Act of 1998 (1998) | 415 ILL. COMP. STAT. §§ 140/1 - 140/99 | Until federal government adopts Kyoto Treaty then state response is premature. |
| Illinois Cool Cities Act (1997) | 415 ILL. COMP. STAT. §§ 145/1 - 145/99 | State to provide assistance to local greenhouse gas reduction initiatives. |
| Midwest Greenhouse Gas Reduction Accord | | In November 2007, Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Manitoba have joined together with the goal is to create a program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. |