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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
Renewable Energy Financing District Act (2009)	N.M. STAT. § 5-18-1 – 5-18-13	The Act fulfills the legislative purpose of, among other things, addressing the issue of global climate change
Findings on purpose of act (1990)	N.M. STAT. § 68-2-30	Encourage the planting of trees to do other things, reduce the effects of greenhouse gas emissions.
Member of the Western Climate Initiative		California, Arizona, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and four Canadian Provinces created the WCI in 2007. Focus of group is to identify, evaluate, and implement collective and cooperative ways to reduce greenhouse gases in the region, focusing on a market-based cap-and-trade system.
State climatologist; duties (1979)	N.M. STAT. § 75-4-3	Duties of the state climatologist includes coordinating studies and programs to improve the understanding of social and economic implications of climate change.

