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This compilation of state statutory citations focuses predominantly on climate change laws in effect January 1, 1970 through December 31, 2007. 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
Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Act (2008)	R.I. GEN. LAWS §§ 23-82-1 - 23-82-7	Work to lower carbon emissions in power generation. Adopting and use of cost efficient technology to lower and create zero carbon generation. Shall develop carbon allowances to be sold in the state.
Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative		Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont joined together to limit greenhouse gas emissions. Goal is to reduce emissions through development of a cap-and-trade program.