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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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| Alternative and Renewable Energy Portfolio Act (2009) | W. VA. CODE § 24-2F-1—12 | Requires each electric utility in the state to meet the standards set forth in the Act. |
| Net greenhouse gas inventory (2007) | W. VA. CODE § 22-5-19 | Develop an inventory of the greenhouse gas emissions in the state. Create a voluntary program for reporting reductions in emissions. Inventory will be consistent with federal and other state reporting programs. |
| Research challenge (2004) | W. VA. CODE § 18B-1B-12 | Research challenge fund money can be used for carbon sequestration and carbon technology research and development |
| Kyoto Protocol; Enforcement Prohibitions (1998) | W. VA. CODE §§ 22-23-1 - 22-23-2 | State agencies cannot follow Kyoto Protocol absent an act of the state legislature. |