

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

SECTION 1. In the constitution of the state of Colorado, **add** section 17 to article XVIII as follows:

Section 17. Right to natural gas.

(1) NO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY BAN THE USE OF NATURAL GAS AS AN ENERGY SOURCE THAT IS USED IN ANY RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS FOR COOKING OR HEATING ANY RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS.

(2) NO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY MAY REQUIRE A NATURAL GAS UTILITY CUSTOMER TO SUBSIDIZE ANY OTHER UTILITY CUSTOMER'S PURCHASE OR USE OF AN ELECTRIC HEAT PUMP OR OTHER ELECTRIC HEATING DEVICE.