

**TITLE 17
ENERGY**

**CHAPTER 17-01
25X'25 INITIATIVE**

17-01-01. 25x'25 initiative. The legislative assembly adopts the 25x'25 initiative with the goal that not later than January 1, 2025, the agricultural, forestry, and working land of the United States should provide from renewable resources not less than twenty-five percent of the total energy consumed in the United States and continue to produce safe, abundant, and affordable food, feed, and fiber. Increasing America's renewable energy use will bring new technologies to market and save consumers money, reduce the nation's dependence on oil from the Middle East, create good new jobs in rural America, and clean up the air and reduce urban smog and address global warming issues. As used in this initiative, renewable energy includes biofuels, solar, wind, hydropower, geothermal, carbon recycling, carbon sequestration, use of waste heat, recycling, low-emission technologies that create or use hydrogen, and energy efficiency initiatives. The 25x'25 initiative will benefit agriculture and forestry, the environment, and national security and provide economic growth.