



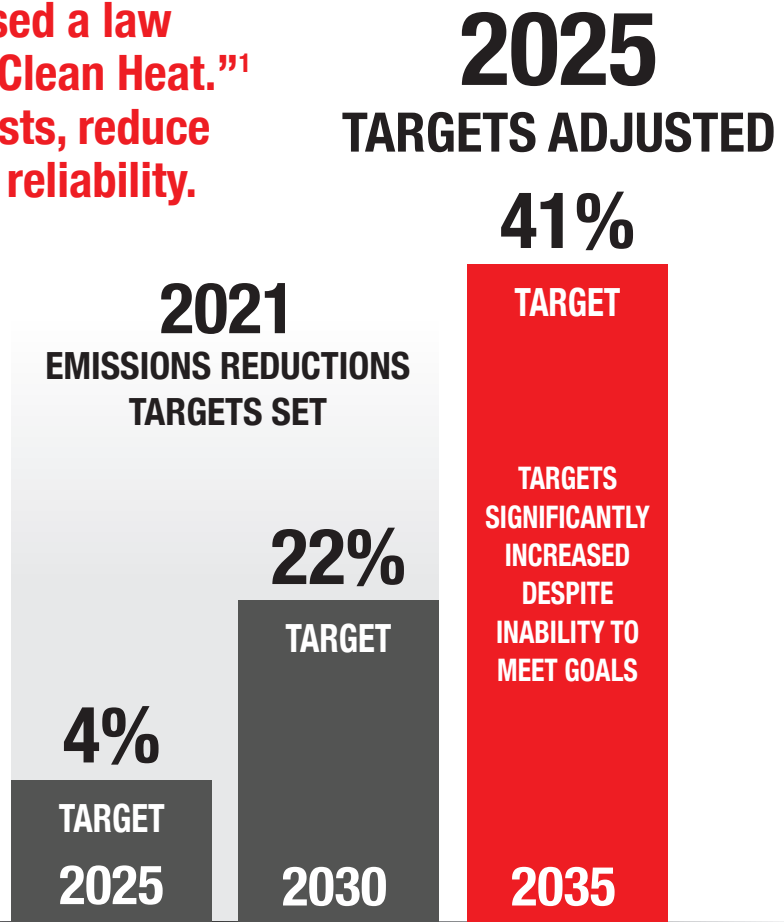
WHAT IS CLEAN HEAT?

In 2021, Colorado passed a law commonly referred to as “Clean Heat.”¹ The law will increase costs, reduce energy choice, and risk reliability.

The law sets steep emissions targets tied to natural gas use by Colorado homes and businesses. During the regulatory process, targets have increased, creating an unrealistic and unaffordable path forward.

IN 2021, ORIGINAL EMISSION REDUCTION TARGETS WERE 4% BY 2025 AND 22% BY 2030.

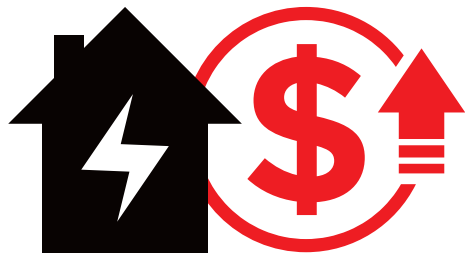
IN 2025, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION INCREASED THEIR TARGET TO 41% BY 2035, DESPITE ONGOING CONCERNS ABOUT THE PRACTICALITY OF MEETING THE EARLIER BENCHMARKS.



WHAT IS THE 2015 BASELINE?

Emissions are measured from 2015 levels, before Colorado's population growth, increased demand for natural gas, and colder years. This makes more aggressive reduction targets.

HOW WILL THIS IMPACT COLORADANS?



MONTHLY ENERGY BILLS FOR COLORADANS COULD INCREASE BETWEEN \$123 AND \$214 PER MONTH.²

WHAT DO COLORADANS WANT?



OPPOSE ELECTRIFICATION MANDATES.

MOST COLORADANS OPPOSE LAWS THAT LIMIT THEIR ABILITY TO CHOOSE THE ENERGY THEY USE AT HOME OR WORK.³

¹ See Colorado Senate Bill 21-264 (2021): Adopt Programs to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions Utilities, Colorado General Assembly, <https://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb21-264>

² Black Hills Energy, "Colorado Clean Heat Plan", <https://www.blackhillsenergy.com/clean-heat>

³ Coloradans for Energy Access, "Colorado Insights: What Coloradans Want: Energy Choice, Affordability, and Reliability," December 2024, <https://coenergyaccess.org/education/colorado-insights/>



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