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Enacted	<p><b>Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets</b></p> <p>50% by 2030   Net-zero by 2050</p> <p>Relative to 2005 levels</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HB 99 (2023) </li> </ul>	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2023
Enacted	<p><b>Climate Action Plans</b></p> <p>Delaware's Climate Action Plan and the 2023 Implementation Report on Delaware's Climate Action Plan</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delaware's Climate Action Plan (2021) </li> <li>HB 99 (2023) </li> <li>2023 Implementation Report on Delaware's Climate Action Plan (2023) </li> </ul>	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2021
Enacted	<p><b>State Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory</b></p> <p>The 1990-2020 Greenhouse Gas Inventory was published in March 2024.</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HB 99 (2023) </li> <li>1990-2020 Greenhouse Gas Inventory (2024) </li> </ul>	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2024
Enacted	<p><b>Climate Bureaucracy</b></p> <p>The Director of the Division of Climate, Coastal and Energy at DNREC is designated the "Chief Climate Change Officer" and each Secretary of Cabinet departments must designate a "Climate Change Officer" to coordinate updating climate plans.</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HB 99 (2023) </li> </ul>	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2023

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Not Enacted	<p><b>Climate Advisory Bodies</b></p> <p>Climate advisory bodies often write or advise on a state's climate plan, and make non-binding recommendations on climate policy design and implementation. The bodies can consist of all non-government members, or be a mix of government and non-government members.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Environmental Justice Community Definitions</b></p> <p>Environmental justice (EJ) community definitions identify the specific, quantifiable thresholds that designate a geographical area as an EJ community. These definitions account for multiple factors, including both environmental and socioeconomic stressors, that may contribute to persistent environmental health disparities.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	
Enacted	<p><b>Environmental Justice Mapping Tools</b></p> <p>EJ Area Viewer</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">EJ Area Viewer (2022)</a></li> </ul>	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	2022
Not Enacted	<p><b>Environmental Justice Community Investment Requirements</b></p> <p>Environmental justice (EJ) community investment requirements help ensure communities most impacted by environmental burdens are benefitting equitably from public programs by requiring a certain percentage of funds and/or benefits from other policies are allocated to EJ communities.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	
Enacted	<p><b>Environmental Justice Bureaucracy</b></p> <p>DNREC – Environmental Justice Office</p> <p>DNREC – Environmental Justice Coordinator</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">DNREC – Environmental Justice Office and EJ Coordinator</a></li> </ul>	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	

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Enacted	<p><b>Environmental Justice Advisory Bodies</b></p> <p>Justice Forty Oversight Committee</p> <p>Community Involvement Advisory Council</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Resolution 40 (2021)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Community Involvement Advisory Council</a></li> </ul>	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	2021
Not Enacted	<p><b>Cumulative Impact Assessment</b></p> <p>Cumulative impact assessments determine the health and environmental impacts of renewing or granting a permit for certain pollution-generating facilities in environmental justice communities. Increased pollution burdens in communities may result in the permit application being denied.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Just Transition Plans</b></p> <p>Just transition plans are documents that outline policies and recommendations aimed at supporting communities, workers, and industries affected by the transition away from fossil fuels. The plans often focus on workforce development and retraining, job creation, and economic diversification.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Just Transition Offices and Staff</b></p> <p>Just transition offices and staff assist workers and communities transitioning away from fossil fuel extraction and use, typically through retraining programs and support with relocation and economic diversification. Offices and staff also coordinate with other state agencies to effectively design policy to achieve a just transition.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Just Transition Advisory Bodies</b></p> <p>Just transition advisory bodies write or advise on a state's just transition plan or report, and make recommendations on ways to support affected workers, communities, and industries. The bodies can consist of all non-government members, or be a mix of government and non-government members.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Just Transition Funds</b></p> <p>Just transition funds support initiatives and investments aimed at facilitating the equitable transition of workers and communities affected by shifts in industries or policies that transition from fossil fuels.</p>	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	

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Enacted	<p><b>Green Banks</b></p> <p>Energize Delaware</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SB 18 (2007) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Energize Delaware</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Cross-Sector	Climate Finance	2007
Enacted	<p><b>Carbon Pollution Pricing</b></p> <p>The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) covers the electricity sector.</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Title 7, Chapter 60, of the Delaware Code, subchapter IIA, §6043 (2014)</li> <li>7 Del. Admin. Code § 1147: CO2 Budget</li> <li>Trading Program Regulations (2018)</li> <li>The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI)</li> </ul>	Cross-Sector	Carbon Valuation	2005
Not Enacted	<p><b>Social Cost of Carbon</b></p> <p>The social cost of carbon is a monetary estimate of the damage of each ton of greenhouse gases emitted. The social cost of carbon is used to quantify and monetize climate damages, representing the net economic cost of climate pollution to society.</p>	Cross-Sector	Carbon Valuation	
Enacted	<p><b>Clean Energy and Renewable Portfolio Standards</b></p> <p>25% renewable energy by 2025   40% by 2035</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SB 33 (2021)</li> </ul>	Electricity	Energy Plans and Targets	2021
Not Enacted	<p><b>Electricity Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets</b></p> <p>Electricity greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets are set by a state to limit GHG emissions in the electricity sector. These targets aim to reduce emissions by different amounts over time, often expressed as percentage relative to a baseline year.</p>	Electricity	Energy Plans and Targets	

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Not Enacted	<p><b>Clean Energy Plans</b></p> <p>Clean energy plans are documents that outline the policies and strategies states can implement to meet clean energy targets. Draft plans are often published first, and after a period of public comments and revisions, a final plan is released.</p>	Electricity	Energy Plans and Targets	
Partially Enacted	<p><b>Distributed Generation/Solar Carve-out</b></p> <p>The State Policy Opportunity Tracker (SPOT) breaks clean energy policies down into “components”, which are binary questions to evaluate policy quality. Higher quality policies have more of their SPOT components fulfilled.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPOT - Distributed Generation/Solar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Carve-out in Delaware <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Policy Components</b></p> <p>4/5</p>	Electricity	Clean Energy Generation	
Partially Enacted	<p><b>Net Metering</b></p> <p>The State Policy Opportunity Tracker (SPOT) breaks clean energy policies down into “components”, which are binary questions to evaluate policy quality. Higher quality policies have more of their SPOT components fulfilled.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPOT - Net Metering in Delaware <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> </ul> </li> <li>SPOT - Aggregate Net Metering in Delaware <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Policy Components</b></p> <p>10/11</p>	Electricity	Clean Energy Generation	
Partially Enacted	<p><b>Shared Renewables</b></p> <p>The State Policy Opportunity Tracker (SPOT) breaks clean energy policies down into “components”, which are binary questions to evaluate policy quality. Higher quality policies have more of their SPOT components fulfilled.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPOT - Shared Renewables in Delaware <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Policy Components</b></p> <p>5/6</p>	Electricity	Clean Energy Generation	





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Not Enacted	<p><b>Community Choice Aggregation</b></p> <p>Community choice aggregation allows local governments to procure power on behalf of their residents, businesses, and municipal accounts from an alternative supplier while still receiving transmission and distribution service from their existing utility provider.</p>	Electricity	Clean Energy Generation	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Energy Storage Targets</b></p> <p>Energy storage targets establish procurement targets for energy storage systems by a certain date, often with interim targets. Targets can vary from broad megawatt (MW) requirements to more specific mandates that focus on the adoption of certain storage technologies.</p>	Electricity	Transmission, Distribution, and Energy Storage	
Enacted	<p><b>Interconnection Standards</b></p> <p>Delaware received a D grade from Freeing the Grid.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Freeing the Grid Delaware Grade (2023)</li> </ul>	Electricity	Transmission, Distribution, and Energy Storage	2023
Not Enacted	<p><b>Coal Phaseouts</b></p> <p>Coal phaseouts establish a target year by which states must end coal-fired power generation.</p>	Electricity	Coal Retirement	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Coal Plant Securitization</b></p> <p>Coal securitization is a financing tool that allows utility companies to refinance debt they issued to build coal plants and close the facilities early without taking a financial hit or passing costs on to ratepayers.</p>	Electricity	Coal Retirement	
Enacted	<p><b>Residential Energy Codes</b></p> <p>The statewide energy code for residential construction is 2018 IECC.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delaware State Energy Code (2020)</li> </ul>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Codes	2020



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Enacted	<p><b>Commercial Energy Codes</b></p> <p>The statewide energy code for commercial building construction is 2018 IECC and ASHRAE 90.1-2016.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delaware State Energy Code (2020)</li> <li>HB 11 (2023)</li> </ul>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Codes	2020
Not Enacted	<p><b>Stretch Building Energy Codes</b></p> <p>Stretch building energy codes are an optional, more stringent building code established by the state that local jurisdictions can adopt to require that newly constructed buildings are more efficient than the baseline state codes.</p>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Codes	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Appliance Standards</b></p> <p>Appliance standards set minimum energy and water conservation requirements for appliances and equipment.</p>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Standards	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Building Performance Standards</b></p> <p>Building performance standards establish energy and/or greenhouse gas performance targets for existing buildings in a state. These targets increase in stringency over time, leading to efficiency improvements in buildings to conserve energy and reduce emissions.</p>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Standards	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Clean Heat Standards</b></p> <p>Clean heat standards establish a performance standard requiring heat providers to deliver a gradually-increasing percentage of low-emission heating services to customers.</p>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Standards	
Enacted	<p><b>Energy Efficiency Resource Standards (EERS)</b></p> <p>Electric and gas utilities are subject to voluntary energy savings targets, which are determined by the Delaware Energy Efficiency Advisory Council.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SB 150 (2014)</li> </ul>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Efficiency	2014

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Enacted	<p><b>Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)</b></p> <p>Delaware has enacted commercial PACE-enabling legislation and has active programs.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SB 113 (2018) ■</li> </ul>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Efficiency	2018
Partially Enacted	<p><b>Weatherization Funding</b></p> <p>The State Policy Opportunity Tracker (SPOT) breaks clean energy policies down into “components”, which are binary questions to evaluate policy quality. Higher quality policies have more of their SPOT components fulfilled.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SPOT - Weatherization Funding in Delaware ■</li> </ul> <p><b>Policy Components</b></p> <p>1/4</p>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Efficiency	
Not Enacted	<p><b>All-Electric Buildings</b></p> <p>All-electric buildings policies require new buildings to be constructed with all-electric heating, cooling, and cooking systems to transition away from fossil-fuel use in buildings.</p>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Electrification	
Enacted	<p><b>Low-Emission Vehicle (LEV) Standards</b></p> <p>Delaware LEV Program</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delaware Administrative Code Title 7, 1000, 1140 (2023) ■</li> <li>Delaware LEV Program ■</li> </ul>	Transportation	Light-Duty Vehicles	2023



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Enacted	<p><b>Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Mandates</b></p> <p>Model Year (MY) 2027: 43% of new passenger vehicle sales are ZEVs   MY 2030: 68% of new sales are ZEVs   MY 2032: 82% of new sales are ZEVs.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delaware Administrative Code Title 7, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1000, 1140 (2023) ■</li> <li>Advanced Clean Cars II ■</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Transportation	Light-Duty Vehicles	2023
Enacted	<p><b>Electric Vehicle Rebates</b></p> <p>The Delaware Clean Vehicle Rebate Program offers rebates for new and used EVs: up to \$2,500 for battery EVs and \$1,000 for plug-in hybrid EVs.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HB 12 (2023) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■</li> <li>Delaware Clean Vehicle Rebate Program</li> <li>■</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Transportation	Light-Duty Vehicles	2023
Not Enacted	<p><b>Low NOx Omnibus Rules</b></p> <p>Low NOx Omnibus Rules establish stringent tailpipe emission standards for heavy duty vehicles, updated testing procedures, and technology-neutral compliance mechanisms to reduce nitrous oxide (NOx) pollution. The regulation must be adopted first by California, and other states may adopt the regulation under the federal Clean Air Act.</p>	Transportation	Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Medium- and Heavy-Duty (MHD) Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Mandates</b></p> <p>Medium- and heavy-duty (MHD) zero-emission vehicle mandates, also known as "Advanced Clean Trucks", require automakers to produce and sell a certain number of zero-emission MHD vehicles to fulfill a quota based on a percentage of total sales in states.</p>	Transportation	Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Medium- and Heavy-Duty Electric Vehicle (EV) Rebates</b></p> <p>Medium- and heavy-duty (MHD) electric vehicle rebates consist of programs and policies that offer rebates to make MHD electric vehicles more affordable to increase their adoption in a state.</p>	Transportation	Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles	

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Enacted	<p><b>Public Fleet Electric Vehicle (EV) Procurement Targets</b></p> <p>15% of passenger and light-duty vehicles owned and operated by the state must be zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) by 2026   15% are ZEVs by 2029   50% are ZEVs by 2035   100% are ZEVs by 2040</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <a href="#">HB 9 (2024)</a>  </li> </ul>	Transportation	Lead by Example	2024
Enacted	<p><b>Electric Bus Procurement Targets</b></p> <p>5% of annual school bus purchases are electric in 2025   10% in 2026   15% in 2027   20% in 2028   25% in 2029   30% in 2030</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <a href="#">HB 10 (2023)</a>  </li> </ul>	Transportation	Lead by Example	2023
Enacted	<p><b>Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Infrastructure Requirements</b></p> <p>Requires new single-family residential dwellings to install at least one EV capable parking space, and new multi-family dwellings to install at least 5% of total parking spaces as EV charging spaces and an additional 10% as EV-capable spaces.</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <a href="#">SS1 for SB 103 (2023)</a>  </li> </ul>	Transportation	EV Charging Infrastructure	2023
Enacted	<p><b>Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Infrastructure Rebates</b></p> <p>The Clean Transportation Incentive Program offers rebates of up to \$2,500 per port for the purchase and installation of Level 2 EV charging stations for public, workplace, fleet, and multi-family residential locations.</p> <p>Establishing Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <a href="#">Clean Transportation Incentive Program</a>  </li> </ul>	Transportation	EV Charging Infrastructure	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Electric Vehicle (EV) and EV Charging Infrastructure Plans</b></p> <p>Electric vehicle (EV) and EV charging infrastructure plans are documents that provide a framework to guide the development, coordination, and adoption of EVs and EV charging infrastructure.</p>	Transportation	Transportation Plans and Targets	

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Not Enacted	<p><b>Transportation Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets</b></p> <p>Transportation greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets are set by a state to limit emissions in the transportation sector. These targets aim to reduce emissions by specific amounts over time, often expressed as a percentage reduction from a baseline year.</p>	Transportation	Transportation Plans and Targets	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Low Carbon Fuel Standards</b></p> <p>A low carbon fuel standard (LCFS) is a market-based mechanism to reduce the carbon intensity of transportation fuels and account for the fuel's life cycle greenhouse gas emissions.</p>	Transportation	Transportation Plans and Targets	
Partially Enacted	<p><b>Bicycle Friendly States</b></p> <p>Delaware is ranked 9th out of 50 in the 2022 Bicycle Friendly State rankings by the League of American Bicyclists.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <p>Delaware Bicycle Friendly State</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scorecard </li> </ul> <p><b>Policy Components</b></p> <p>4/5</p>	Transportation	Public and Active Transportation	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Buy Clean Requirements</b></p> <p>Buy clean requirements mandate or incentivize the use of low-carbon construction materials, such as concrete and steel, in public projects to address embodied carbon.</p>	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Industrial Decarbonization	
Enacted	<p><b>Hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) Regulations</b></p> <p>The state prohibits certain HFCs in specific stationary refrigeration and air-conditioning end-uses.</p> <p><b>Establishing Policies</b></p> <p>7 DE Admin. Code 1151 (2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	F-gas Regulations	2021
Not Enacted	<p><b>Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF6) Regulations</b></p> <p>Sulfur hexafluoride (SF6) regulations include phasedown commitments, reporting requirements, bans, or other measures that reduce SF6 usage and emissions.</p>	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	F-gas Regulations	

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Not Enacted	<p><b>Oil and Gas Methane Regulations</b></p> <p>Oil and gas methane regulations include phasedown commitments, reporting requirements, leak detection and repair, or other measures that reduce methane emissions from oil and gas production.</p>	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Oil and Gas Regulations	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Fracking Bans</b></p> <p>Fracking bans prohibit the practice of hydraulic fracking for the production of oil and/or natural gas by a certain year. Legislation often requires an environmental agency or department to promulgate regulations.</p>	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Oil and Gas Regulations	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Landfill Methane Regulations</b></p> <p>Landfill methane regulations include rulemakings, emissions monitoring, emissions control, or other measures that reduce methane emissions from decaying organic waste in landfills.</p>	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Waste Management	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Food Waste Bans and Targets</b></p> <p>Food waste bans and targets include policies that prohibit certain entities that generate specified amounts of food waste (typically commercial businesses and larger institutions) from sending this waste to landfills. Targets aim to reduce total food waste by a certain percentage each target year.</p>	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Waste Management	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Agriculture Financial Incentives</b></p> <p>Agriculture financial incentives support healthy soils and regenerative agriculture. Incentives may include reduced crop insurance premiums, property tax exemptions, grants, or cost-share programs.</p>	Natural and Working Lands	Agriculture	
Not Enacted	<p><b>Agriculture Technical Assistance Programs</b></p> <p>Agriculture technical assistance programs provide state-driven technical assistance, apprenticeship and mentorship programs, and support securing additional funding for farmers to increase uptake of soil health practices.</p>	Natural and Working Lands	Agriculture	