

1 HOUSE BILL 379

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO REFRIGERANTS; PROVIDING THAT MUNICIPALITIES AND  
12 COUNTIES SHALL NOT PROHIBIT THE USE OF CERTAIN REFRIGERANTS OR  
13 THE INSTALLATION AND LISTING OF EQUIPMENT THAT CONTAINS CERTAIN  
14 REFRIGERANTS.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] REGULATION OF REFRIGERANTS.--

18 The governing body of a municipality, county or other  
19 governmental entity shall not adopt a building code or take any  
20 other action to prohibit or otherwise limit:

21 A. the use of a refrigerant that is designated as  
22 an acceptable alternative or substitute for a class 1 or class  
23 2 substance by the United States environmental protection  
24 agency; or

25 B. the installation or listing of equipment that

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1 contains a refrigerant designated as acceptable pursuant to  
2 Subsection A of this section and meets nationally recognized  
3 standards for the safe design, construction, installation and  
4 operation of refrigeration systems and the appropriate listing  
5 standard.

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