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Proposition 127- Clean Energy for a Healthy Arizona Amendment

The proposed initiative titled the “Clean Energy for a Healthy Arizona” would amend the Arizona Constitution to require electric utilities to provide at least 50% of their annual retail sales of electricity from renewable energy sources by 2030. Specifically the initiative:

- Requires affected utility providers to generate at least 50% of their annual sales of electricity from renewable energy resources by 2030 on an increasing scale beginning in 2020.
- Defines an *affected utility* as a public service corporation serving retail electric load in Arizona.
- Defines a *renewable energy resource* as an energy resource that is replaced rapidly by a natural, ongoing process and that is not municipal solid waste combustion, trees larger than 12 inches in diameter, nuclear or fossil fuel.
- Defines an *eligible renewable energy resource* that an affected utility may utilize as:
 - Biogas electricity generators
 - Biomass electricity generators
 - Distributed renewable energy resources
 - Eligible hydropower facilities
 - Fuel cells that use only renewable fuels
 - Geothermal generators
 - Hybrid wind and solar electric generators
 - Landfill gas generators
 - New hydropower generators of 10 megawatts or less
 - Solar electricity resources
 - Wind generators
- Mandates that affected utilities satisfy an annual distributed renewable energy requirement on a sliding scale beginning in 2020.
- Requires the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) to make changes and regulations to implement the amendment within 90 days of effective date and not later than December 31, 2019.
- Requires affected utilities to provide the ACC with a detailed compliance and implementation plan on an annual basis.
- Contains other definitions, requirements, and guidelines.
- Contains a severability clause.