

**DECLARATION OF STATE OF ENERGY EMERGENCY (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 191 of 1982**

**10.84 Powers of governor during energy emergency.**

Sec. 4.

During an energy emergency, the governor may do all of the following:

(a) Order specific restrictions on the use and sale of energy resources. Restrictions imposed by the governor under this subdivision may include:

(i) Restrictions on the interior temperature of public, commercial, industrial, and school buildings.  
(ii) Restrictions on the hours and days during which public, commercial, industrial, and school buildings may be open.

(iii) Restrictions on the conditions under which energy resources may be sold to consumers.

(iv) Restrictions on lighting levels in public, commercial, industrial, and school buildings.

(v) Restrictions on the use of display and decorative lighting.

(vi) Restrictions on the use of privately owned vehicles or a reduction in speed limits.

(vii) Restrictions on the use of public transportation including directions to close a public transportation facility.

(viii) Restrictions on the use of pupil transportation programs operated by public schools.

(b) Direct an energy resource supplier to provide an energy resource to a health facility; school; public utility; public transit authority; fire or police station or vehicle; newspaper or television or radio station for the purpose of relaying emergency instructions or other emergency message; food producer, processor, retailer, or wholesaler; and to any other person or facility which provides essential services for the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of this state.

(c) By executive order, suspend a statute or an order or rule of a state agency or a specific provision of a statute, rule, or order, if strict compliance with the statute, rule, or order or a specific provision of the statute, rule, or order will prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the energy emergency. The governor may not suspend a criminal process or procedure or a statute or rule governing the operation of the legislature. At the time of the suspension of a statute, rule, or order or a specific provision of a statute, rule, or order, the governor shall state the extent of the energy shortage and shall specify the provisions of a statute, rule, or order which are suspended, the length of time for which the provisions are suspended, and the degree to which the provisions are suspended. A suspended statute, rule, or order shall be directly related to an energy emergency.

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