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§5B-2N-5. Development of State Energy Security Plan.

(a) The Office of Energy shall develop a State Energy Security Plan and shall submit a report of its plan to the Governor and the Joint Committee on Government and Finance before on or before December 1, 2026, and every five years thereafter. The State Security Energy Plan shall at a minimum:

(1) Provide a state energy profile, including an assessment of energy production, transmission, distribution and end-use;

(2) Identify all energy sources and regulated and unregulated energy providers;

(3) Address potential hazards to each energy sector or system, including physical threats, cybersecurity threats and vulnerabilities;

(4) Provide a risk assessment of energy infrastructure and cross-sector interdependencies;

(5) Provide a risk-mitigation approach to enhance reliability and end-use resilience;

(6) Identify existing legislation and institutions responsible for energy security in West Virginia, including federal and state agencies and emergency response procedures;

(7) Address coordination between state agencies, local governments and energy providers; and

(8) Describe response processes and responsible authorities for energy emergencies.

(b) Nothing in this section is intended to preclude, modify or interfere with other state agencies in the performance of their duties and obligations during an energy emergency.

(c) Any plan and any information obtained or developed by the Office of Energy pursuant to this section shall be kept confidential and exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act under §29B-1-1 *et seq.*, of this code.

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