

**GOVERNMENT CODE**  
**SECTION 4217.10-4217.18**

4217.10. To help implement the policy set forth in Section 25008 of the Public Resources Code, and to extend that policy to facilities of local governments, public agencies may develop energy conservation, cogeneration, and alternate energy supply sources at the facilities of public agencies in accordance with this chapter.

4217.11. The following terms, whenever used in this chapter, have the meanings given in this section, except where the context clearly indicates otherwise:

- (a) "Alternate energy equipment" means equipment for the production or conversion of energy from alternate sources as its primary fuel source, such as solar, biomass, wind, geothermal, hydroelectricity under 30 megawatts, remote natural gas of less than one billion cubic feet estimated reserves per mile from an existing gas gathering line, natural gas containing 850 or fewer British Thermal Units per standard cubic foot, or any other source of energy, the efficient use of which will reduce the use of fossil or nuclear fuels.
- (b) "Cogeneration equipment" means equipment for cogeneration, as defined in Section 218.5 of the Public Utilities Code.
- (c) "Conservation measures" means equipment, maintenance, load management techniques and equipment, or other measures to reduce energy use or make for a more efficient use of energy.
- (d) "Conservation services" means the electrical, thermal, or other energy savings resulting from conservation measures, which shall be treated as a supply of such energy.
- (e) "Energy conservation facility" means alternate energy equipment, cogeneration equipment, or conservation measures located in public buildings or on land owned by public agencies.
- (f) "Energy service contract" means a contract entered into by a public agency with any person, pursuant to which the person will

