

## **STATE AUTHORITY**

The Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 required that all states develop and implement a Small Business Environmental Assistance Program and that said programs be covered in the State Implementation Plans.

Since the Act left implementation top the states, the location and state authority are inconsistent from state to state. Many states passed legislation which then resulted in development and adoption of regulations to implement the programs. Other states merely developed and adopted regulations with no supporting legislation.

In order to determine the authority for the SBEAP of a given state, a search should be conducted of state statutes and regulations. Typically, state SBEAP staff are aware of the source(s) of authority for their programs and should be able to readily provide the information.