

HCS HB 1270 & 1027 -- ETHANOL-BLENDED FUEL (Behnen)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Agriculture Policy

This substitute requires, by January 1, 2008, that all gasoline sold in Missouri contain at least 10% agriculturally derived, denatured ethanol by volume, unless exempted by the federal Environmental Protection Agency, by a rule promulgated by the Director of the Department of Agriculture, or by executive order issued by the Governor. Any regional waiver will be implemented so as not to give any region a competitive advantage or disadvantage. The provisions of the substitute do not apply to premium gasoline or gasoline sold for use in aircraft.

If a distributor is unable to purchase fuel ethanol or fuel ethanol-blended gasoline from a position holder or supplier at the same or lower price as unblended gasoline, then the purchase of unblended gasoline by the distributor and the sale of the gasoline at retail is not a violation of the gasoline content requirement.

All fuel terminals in the state must offer for sale fuel ethanol and gasoline which has not been blended with fuel ethanol. Fuel retailers, wholesalers, distributors, and marketers are allowed to purchase fuel ethanol from any terminal or supplier.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2007, FY 2008, and FY 2009.