

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0926-12
Bill No.: HCS for SS #2 for SCS for SB 204
Subject: Agriculture Dept.; Motor Fuel
Type: Original
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Bill Summary: Requires all diesel fuel sold in Missouri at retail in Missouri after January 1, 2009 to be a biodiesel-blended fuel.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

- Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Transportation** assume no fiscal impact to their agency.

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources** would not anticipate any significant direct fiscal impact as a result of this proposal.

Officials from the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume this proposal would mandate all diesel fuel for sale at retail, after April 1, 2009, be a bio-diesel blend..

Taxation does not anticipate an impact.

Officials from the **Department of Agriculture (MDA)** assume their Fuel Quality Program will monitor the biodiesel content at retail. Additional time will be required of the program to ensure service stations properly prepare storage tanks for the introduction of the blends. One additional chemist will be required to conduct the additional fuel quality testing and to resolve consumer complaints and fuel quality problems from inadequate tank preparation and conversion. One auditor will be needed to ensure compliance by monitoring locations selling diesel.

Oversight assumes this would be accomplished during the normal budgetary process. Therefore, Oversight assumes the initial administrative impact of this proposal is \$0.

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Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources** do not anticipate a direct fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials from the **Department of Agriculture (AGR)** state the proposal will require the AGR to process additional biodiesel license and grant applications, as well as audit additional facilities for compliance with state statutes and regulations pertaining to the biodiesel producer incentive fund. The AGR assumes it will be able to accomplish this with current staff and the 2.0 additional audit staff included in its FY 08 budget request.

The following table shows the assumptions used for the four (4) biodiesel plants that will likely be affected by the removal of the requirement that feedstock be either produced or processed in

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Missouri. Statutory payment rates are utilized (i.e. 30 cents/gal. on the first 15 MG and 10 cents/gal on the next 15 MG). Although all of the annual production is included in the calculations for Dexter, Lilbourn, and Holland, only one-half of the maximum annual production at the Rock Port plant is expected to be sourced from outside the state.

Plant Location	Production Start Date	Max. Annual Production	FY 2008 Payments	FY 2009 Payments	FY 2010 Payments
Dexter	3/15/07	3,000,000 gals.	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$900,000
Lilbourn	1/1/08	5,000,000 gals.	\$750,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
Holland	1/1/08	5,000,000 gals.	\$750,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
Rock Port	9/1/08	30,000,000 gals.	\$0	\$1,250,000	\$1,500,000
Payment Totals			\$2,400,000	\$5,150,000	\$5,400,000

Note, however, that since funding for these four plants is already included in MDA's FY 2008 budget request, MDA does not anticipate a need for any additional funding.

Oversight assumes that the legislation only expands where materials may be obtained from.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Yes, if the retailer is required to blend the product.

All service stations and other businesses with diesel fuel storage tanks must clean and remove any water from the system prior to the introduction of biodiesel blends. Cost for cleaning and water removal is estimated at \$500 per tank. Some service stations storage tanks may not be compatible with ethanol blends and will require tank replacement.

In order to comply with provisions of this proposal, there may be a need to adapt or add equipment to blend biodiesel fuel.

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This proposal is expected to stimulate economic growth among small businesses, including farmers, in the areas in which the biodiesel plants are located.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed will require that all diesel fuel sold in Missouri after January 1, 2009, to be a biodiesel-blended fuel.

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Currently, a biodiesel producer incentive grant is calculated based on the estimated number of gallons of biodiesel produced from Missouri agricultural products. This proposal removes the in-state or Missouri agricultural product origin requirement of at least 51% Missouri producer owned for a renewable fuel production facility to be eligible.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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