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SENATE BILL No. 537

By Committee on Transportation

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AN ACT relating to the taxation of motor fuels; concerning the point of tax; amending K.S.A. 79-3401, 79-3403, 79-3405, 79-3406, 79-3410, 79-3411, 79-3413, 79-3414, 79-3415, 79-3417, 79-3419, 79-3420, 79-3426, 79-3453, 79-3456, 79-3457, 79-3464e and 79-3464f and K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3407, 79-3408, 79-3408c, 79-3409, 79-3412 and 79-3464c and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. The director may license an out-of-state terminal supplier to precollect and remit the taxes imposed by article 34 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, with respect to taxable motor-vehicle fuel and special fuel imported from a terminal outside this state in the same manner and at the same time as taxes would arise and be paid under article 34 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, if the taxable motor-vehicle fuel and special fuel had been sold or removed from storage at a terminal in this state.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 79-3401 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3401. This act, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the "motor-fuel tax law," and as so constituted is hereinafter referred to as "this act." The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this act, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except in those instances clearly indicating a different meaning:
 - "Aviation fuel" means motor fuels for use as fuel for aircraft;
- "agricultural ethyl alcohol" means a motor-vehicle fuel component with a purity of at least 99%, exclusive of any added denaturants, denatured in conformity with one of the methods approved by the United States department of the treasury, bureau of alcohol, tobacco and firearms, and distilled in the United States of America from grain produced in the United States of America;
- (c)"blender" means any person who engages in the process of blending;
- "blend" means the mixing together by any process, at a nonterminal facility, one or more products with other products, and regardless of the original character of the products so blended, provided the resultant

product so obtained is suitable or practicable for use as a motor fuel, except such blending as may occur in the process known as refining by the original refiner of crude petroleum;

- $\frac{(e)}{(e)}$ "bulk plant" means a motor fuels storage facility, other than a terminal, that is primarily used to redistribute motor fuels;
- $\frac{d}{d}(f)$ "dealer" means any person engaged in the retail sale of motorvehicle fuels or special fuels;
- (e) (g) "director" means the director of taxation, a duly authorized deputy, agent or representative;
 - (f) (h) "distributor" means any person, who:
- (1) Imports or causes to be imported from any other state or territory of the United States motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels for such person's own use in the state of Kansas, or for sale and delivery therein, after the same shall have come to rest or storage therein, whether or not in the original package, receptacle or container; or
- (2) imports or causes to be imported, from a foreign country, motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels for such person's own use in the state of Kansas, or for sale and delivery therein, after the same shall have come to rest or storage, whether or not in the original package, receptacle or container;
- (3)—purchases or receives motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels in the original package, receptacle or container in the state of Kansas for such person's own use therein, or for sale and delivery therein, from any person who has imported the same from any other state or territory of the United States, or any other nation, in ease such motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels have not, prior to such purchase or receipt, come to rest or storage in the state of Kansas; or
- (4)—received and, in any manner, uses, sells or delivers motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels in the state of Kansas on which the tax provided for in this act has not been previously paid acquires motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel from a supplier or importer, or another distributor for subsequent sale at wholesale and distribution by tank cars or tank trucks or both:
- (i) "export" means delivery across the boundaries of this state by or for the seller or purchaser from a place of origin in this state;
- $\frac{g}{j}$ (j) "exporter" means any person who exports or causes to be exported motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels from Kansas to any other state or territory of the United States or to a foreign country, for such person's own use or for sale or delivery therein, whether or not in the original package, receptacle or container;
- (k) "import means a delivery across the boundaries of this state by or for the seller or purchaser from a place of origin outside this state;
 - $\frac{h}{l}$ (1) "importer" means any person who imports or causes to be

imported motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels from any other state or territory of the United States or from a foreign country, for such person's own use in the state of Kansas or for sale or delivery therein, whether or not in the original package, receptacle or container;

- $\frac{\text{(i)}}{m}$ "liquid fuels" or "motor fuels" means any inflammable liquid by whatever name such liquid shall be known or sold, which is used, or practically or commercially usable, either alone or when mixed or combined in an internal-combustion engine for the generation of power;
- $\frac{(j)}{(n)}$ "manufacturer" or "refiner" means any person who or which produces, refines, prepares, blends, distills, manufactures or compounds motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels in the state of Kansas for such person's own use therein, or for sale or delivery therein. The term "manufacturer" shall not include any person who or which mechanically separates liquids from natural gas at production facilities or gathering system pipelines on the lease. No person who produces, refines, prepares, blends, distills, manufactures, or compounds motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels shall be required to render a distributor's (manufacturer's) report as to any particular lot or lots of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels until such motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels have been loaded at a refinery or other place of production into tank cars, or placed in any tank at such refinery or other place of production from which any withdrawals are made direct into tanks, tank wagons or other types of transportation equipment, containers or facilities;
- (k) (o) "motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle as defined by K.S.A. 8-126, and amendments thereto, and which is required to be registered pursuant to K.S.A. 8-126 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto;
- (+) (p) "motor-vehicle fuels" means gasoline, casinghead gasoline, natural gasoline, drip gasoline, aviation gasoline, gasohol, gasoline-oxygenate blend and any other spark-ignition motor fuel as defined by the 1995 United States department of commerce, national institute of standards and technology handbook 130 issued December of 1994, and as may subsequently be defined in rules and regulations which the director may adopt pursuant to K.S.A. 79-3419, and amendments thereto;
- $\overline{\text{(m)}}\,(q)$ "oil inspector" means the director of taxation, a duly authorized deputy, agent or representative;
- $\frac{(n)}{r}$ "person" means every natural person, association, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company or corporation. When used in any statute, prescribing and imposing a fine or imprisonment, or both, the term "person" as applied to firms and associations means the partners or members thereof and, as applied to corporations, the corporation and the officers thereof;
- $\frac{(o)}{(s)}$ "public highways" means and includes every way or place, of whatever nature, generally open to the use of the public as a matter of

 right, for the purposes of vehicular travel and notwithstanding that the same shall have been temporarily closed for the purpose of construction, reconstruction or repair;

 $(\mbox{p})~(t)~$ "received" means motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel produced, refined, prepared, distilled, manufactured, blended or compounded at any refinery or other place, in the state of Kansas by any person, or imported into this state from any other state, territory, or foreign country by pipeline or connecting pipeline at a pipeline terminal or pipeline tank farm for storage, shall be deemed to be "received" by such person thereat when the same shall have been loaded at such removed from a refinery, pipeline terminal, pipeline tank farm or other place, into tank cars, tank trucks or other container, or placed in any tank from which any withdrawals are made direct into tank cars, tank trucks or other types of transportation equipment, containers or facilities or in the case of imports, other than by pipeline, upon entry into this state;

- $\frac{\langle \mathbf{q} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{u} \rangle}$ "retailer" means a person that engages in the business of selling or distributing motor fuels to the end user;
- $\overline{\langle r \rangle}$ (v) "school bus" means every bus, as defined by K.S.A. 8-1406, and amendments thereto, which is: (1) Privately owned and contracted for, leased or hired by a school district or nonpublic school for the transportation of pupils, students or school personnel to or from school or to or from school-related functions or activities; or (2) owned and operated by a school district or nonpublic school which is registered under the provisions of K.S.A. 8-126 et seq., and amendments thereto, used for the transportation of pupils, students or school personnel to or from school or to or from school-related functions or activities;
- $\overline{\text{(s)}} \ (w)$ "special fuels" means all combustible liquids suitable for the generation of power for the propulsion of motor vehicles including, but not limited to, diesel fuel, *kerosene*, alcohol and such fuels not defined under the motor-vehicle fuels definition, hereinafter referred to as motor-vehicle fuel;
- (x) "state" means one of the 50 states of the union and the District of Columbia. In the construction and interpretation of this act, Indian reservations, Indian reserve land, Indian restricted land, Indian trust land, Indian allotment land and any other land specifically set aside by the federal government in trust or otherwise and under federal superintendence within the geographic boundaries of the state of Kansas for the use of Indians as Indian land shall be deemed to be in the state of Kansas;
- (y) "supplier" means any person who imports or acquires immediately upon import, motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel by pipeline, tank truck, railcar or marine vessel from a state, territory or possession of the United States or from a foreign country into a terminal. Supplier also includes a person who produces in this state or imports into a terminal

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or bulk plant or acquires immediately upon import by truck, railcar or barge into a terminal, alcohol or alcohol derivative substances. Supplier includes any person who produces, manufactures or refines motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel in this state. Supplier includes any person who produces, manufactures or refines motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel in this state. Supplier also includes a person who acquires motor-vehicle fuel pursuant to an industry terminal exchange agreement;

 $\frac{(t)}{(z)}$ "terminal" means a fuel storage and distribution facility that is supplied by motor vehicle, pipeline or marine vessel, and from which motor fuels may be removed at a rack. "Terminal" does not include any facility at which motor fuel blend stocks and additives are used in the manufacture of products other than motor fuels and from which no motor fuels are removed;

 $\frac{\text{(u)}}{\text{(}} (aa)$ "terminal operator" means the person who by ownership or contractual agreement is charged with the responsibility for, or physical control over, and operation of a terminal;

(bb) "territory" means Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands; (v) (cc) "transporter" means a person who has been issued a liquid-

fuels carrier's license pursuant to K.S.A. 55-506 *et seq.*, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 79-3403 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3403. It shall be unlawful for any distributor supplier to use, sell or deliver any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels within this state unless such distributor supplier at the time of such use, sale, or delivery, is the holder of a valid, unrevoked motor-vehicle fuels distributor's supplier's license or special fuels distributor's supplier's license issued to such distributor supplier in accordance with the provisions of this act for each particular place of business at which such distributor supplier shall use, sell or deliver motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels. Every person desiring to operate as a distributor shall have a physical location in this state for doing business and supplier shall file an application for a motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels license or licenses with the director. The application for the motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels distributor's supplier's license shall be made upon a form prescribed, prepared and furnished by the director, and shall set forth the name under which the applicant transacts or intends to transact business, the exact location of each place of business within the state where the applicant transacts or intends to transact the business of using, selling or delivering motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels, and such other information as the director may require. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the application shall set forth the name and address of each partner or person constituting the association, and if a corporation the names and addresses of the principal officers, and any other information prescribed by the director for purposes of

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The application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by the owner, if a natural person. For any other business form the application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by a member or partner, and in case of a corporation, by an executive officer or some person specifically authorized by the corporation to sign the application, to which shall be attached written evidence of such person's authority. The director has the authority to deny a distributor's supplier's license to any applicant. Upon approval of the application and the bond required, the director shall grant and issue to such distributor supplier a motor-vehicle fuels distributor's supplier's or special fuels distributor's supplier's license for each place of business, within the state as set forth in such person's application. Motor-vehicle fuels distributor's supplier's licenses or special fuels distributor's supplier's licenses shall not be assignable and shall be valid only for the distributor supplier in whose name issued and for the transaction of business at the place specifically designated therein, and shall at all times be conspicuously displayed at the place for which issued. All licenses issued by the director shall be in force, so long as the holder has in force a bond, as required by this act, deposited with the director, or until such license is surrendered or revoked for cause by the director. No motor-vehicle fuels distributor's supplier's license or special fuels distributor's supplier's license shall be granted and issued until the person applying has filed with the director a bond, payable to the state of Kansas, in such amount as shall be fixed by the director, but in no event less than \$1,000, with a corporate surety authorized to do business in the state of Kansas and approved by the director, except that should a distributor be unable to secure a corporate surety bond, the director shall issue a license to such distributor upon the distributor furnishing a personal bond meeting the approval of the director, such bond to be conditioned that the distributor named will faithfully comply with all the provisions of this act during the period of the license or licenses issued to such distributor under such application as provided by K.S.A. 79-3405, and amendments thereto.

It shall be unlawful for any manufacturer to use, sell or deliver any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels within this state unless such manufacturer at the time of such use, sale, or delivery is the holder of a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked motor-vehicle fuel manufacturer's license or special fuel manufacturer's license issued to such manufacturer in accordance with the provisions of this act for each particular place of business at which such manufacturer shall use, sell or deliver motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels. No special fuel manufacturer's license will be required for any manufacturer who is blending products for winterization purposes if the manufacturer at the time of the blending is the holder of

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41 42 a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels distributor's license. Every person desiring to operate as a manufacturer shall file an application for a motor-vehicle fuel manufacturer's license or licenses or special fuel manufacturer's license or licenses with the director. The application for the motor-vehicle fuel manufacturer's license or special fuel manufacturer's license shall be made on a form prescribed, prepared, and furnished by the director, and shall set forth the name under which the applicant transacts or intends to transact business, the exact location of each place of business within the state where the applicant transacts or intends to transact the business of using, selling or delivering motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels, and such other information as the director may require. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the application shall set forth the name and address of each partner or person constituting the association, and if a corporation the names and addresses of the principal officers, and any other information prescribed by the director for purposes of identification.

The application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by the owner, if a natural person. For any other business form, the application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by a member or a partner, and in case of a corporation, by an executive officer or some person specifically authorized by the corporation to sign the application, to which shall be attached written evidence of such person's authority. The director has the authority to deny a manufacturer's license to any applicant. Upon approval of the application and the bond required, the director shall grant and issue to manufacturer a motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels manufacturer's license for each place of business, within the state as set forth in such person's application. Motor-vehicle fuels manufacturer's licenses or special fuels manufacturer's licenses shall not be assignable and shall be valid only for the manufacturer in whose name and issued for the transaction of business at the place specifically designated therein, and shall at all times be conspicuously displayed at the place for which issued. All licenses issued by the director shall be in force, so long as the holder has in force a bond, as required by this act, deposited with the director, or until such license is surrendered or revoked by the director. No motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels manufacturer's license shall be granted and issued until the person applying has filed with the director a bond, as provided by K.S.A. 79-3405, and amendments thereto.

Any person not licensed as a motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels distributor under this act, desiring to import motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels from any other state or territory of the United States, or from a foreign country for such person's own use in the state of Kansas, or for sale or delivery therein, or desiring to export motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels from Kansas to any other state or territory of the United States, or

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to a foreign country for such person's own use or for sale or delivery therein, shall file application for a motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel importer's or exporter's license with the director. The application shall be made upon a form prescribed, prepared, and furnished by the director, and shall set forth the name under which the applicant transacts, or intends to transact, business of using, selling or delivering motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels and such other information as the director may require. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the application shall set forth the name and address of each partner or person constituting the association, and if a corporation the names and address of the principal officers, and any other information prescribed by the director for purposes of identification.

The application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by the owner, if a natural person. For any other business form the application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by a member or partner, and in case of a corporation, by an executive officer or some person specifically authorized by the corporation to sign the application, to which shall be attached written evidence of such person's authority. The director has the authority to deny an importer's or exporter's license to any applicant. Upon approval of the application and the bond required, the director shall grant and issue to an importer or exporter a motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels importer's or exporter's license. The written consent of the applicant, irrevocable, that actions may be commenced against it in the proper court of any county in this state in which a cause of action may arise or in which the plaintiff may reside, by the service of process on the secretary of state, and stipulating and agreeing that such service shall be taken and held, in all courts, to be as valid and binding as if due service had been made upon the applicant personally, or upon the president and secretary, if a corporation. The secretary of state shall notify the applicant of any action started against such applicant by mailing a copy of the summons to the address set out in the application by registered mail. Motor-vehicle fuels importer's or exporter's licenses or special fuels importer's or exporter's licenses shall not be assignable and shall be valid only for the importer or exporter in whose name such license is issued. All licenses issued by the director shall be in force, so long as the holder has in force a bond, as required by this act, deposited with the director or until such license is surrendered by the director. No motorvehicle fuels or special fuels importer's or exporter's license shall be granted and issued until the person applying has filed with the director a bond, as provided by K.S.A. 79-3405, and amendments thereto.

No motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel manufacturer's license shall be granted and issued until the person applying has filed with the director a bond payable to the state of Kansas, in such amount as shall be fixed by

the director, but in no event less than \$5,000, with a corporate surety authorized to do business in the state of Kansas and approved by the director

No motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel importer's or exporter's license shall be granted and issued until the person applying has filed with the director a bond, payable to the state of Kansas, in such amount as shall be fixed by the director, but in no event less than \$5,000, with a corporate surety authorized to do business in the state of Kansas and approved by the director.

It shall be unlawful for any retailer to sell or deliver any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels within this state unless such retailer at the time of such sale or delivery, is the holder of a valid, unrevoked retailer's license issued to such retailer in accordance with the provisions of this act for each particular place of business at which such retailer shall sell or deliver motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels. Every person desiring to operate as a retailer shall have a physical location in this state for doing business and shall file an application for a retailer's license with the director. The application for the retailer's license shall be made upon a form prescribed, prepared and furnished by the director, and shall set forth the name under which the applicant transacts or intends to transact business, the exact location of the place of business within the state where the applicant transacts or intends to transact the business of selling or delivering motorvehicle fuels or special fuels, and such other information as the director may require. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the application shall set forth the name and address of each partner or person constituting the association, and if a corporation the names and addresses of the principal officers, and any other information prescribed by the director for purposes of identification.

The application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by the owner, if a natural person. For any other business form the application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by a member or partner, and in ease of a corporation, by an executive officer or some person specifically authorized by the corporation to sign the application, to which shall be attached written evidence of such person's authority. The director has the authority to deny a retailer's license to any applicant. Upon approval of the application, the director shall grant and issue to such retailer a motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels retailers' license. Retailers licenses shall not be assignable and shall be valid only for the retailer in whose name and issued for the transaction of business at the place specifically designated therein, and shall at all times be conspicuously displayed at the place for which issued. All licenses issued by the director shall be in force until such license is surrendered or revoked by the director.

It shall be unlawful for any distributor to defer payments of the motor-

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vehicle fuel or special fuel taxes to their supplier unless such distributor at the time of purchase of such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel is the 3 holder of a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel distributor license issued to such distributor in accordance with 4 the provisions of this act. It shall be unlawful for any person to blend 5 motor fuels unless such person at the time of blending is the holder of a 6 valid, unsuspended and unrevoked motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel distributor license. Every person desiring to operate as a distributor shall 8 9 have a physical location in this state for doing business and shall file an 10 application for a motor-vehicle fuel distributor's license or licenses or spe-11 cial fuel distributor's license or licenses with the director. The application for the motor-vehicle fuel distributor's license or special fuel distributor's 12 13 license shall be made on a form prescribed, prepared and furnished by the director. The application shall set forth the name under which the 14 15 applicant transacts or intends to transact business, the exact location of each place of business within the state where the applicant transacts or 16 intends to transact the business of using, selling or delivering motor-ve-17 18 hicle fuels or special fuels and such other information as the director may require. If the applicant is other than a natural person, the application 19 20 shall set forth the name and address of each partner or person constituting 21 the association, and if a corporation, the names and addresses of the prin-22 cipal officers, and any other information prescribed by the director for 23 purposes of identification. 24

The application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by the owner, if a natural person. For any other business form, the application shall be signed and verified by oath or affirmation by a member or a partner, and in case of a corporation, by an executive officer or some person specifically authorized by the corporation to sign the application, to which shall be attached written evidence of such person's authority. The director has the authority to deny a distributor's license to any applicant. Upon approval of the application and the bond required, the director shall grant and issue to the distributor a motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels distributor's license for each place of business, within the state as set forth in such person's application. Motor-vehicle fuels distributor's licenses or special fuels distributor's licenses shall not be assignable and shall be valid only for the distributor in whose name and issued for the transaction of business at the place specifically designated therein, and shall at all times be conspicuously displayed at the place for which issued. All licenses issued by the director shall be in force, so long as the holder has in force a bond, as required by this act, deposited with the director, or until such license is surrendered or revoked by the director. No motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels distributor's license shall be granted and issued until the person applying has filed with the director a bond,

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as provided by K.S.A. 79-3405, and amendments thereto.

Each licensee licensed under this act shall furnish annually to the director any changes occurring in the members, corporate or company officers, directors and stock ownership of those owning more than 5% of total outstanding shares of the licensee.

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 79-3405 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3405. (a) Every supplier, distributor, importer, exporter or manufacturer shall furnish and maintain a bond in such form, amount with such sureties as the director approves, but such amount shall be not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$750,000 for suppliers and not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$100,000 for distributors, importers, exporters or manufacturers conditioned upon the supplier, distributor, importer or manufacturer complying with the provisions of the statutes applicable to the licensee and as indemnity for any loss sustained by any person by reason of any act by the licensee tending to prejudice, jeopardize or render wholly or partly ineffectual the collection of the tax imposed by this act. To comply with this subsection, every bond shall be a corporate surety bond issued by a company authorized to do business in the state of Kansas and shall be executed in the name of the state of Kansas for the benefit of any aggrieved party. The aggregate liability of the surety for all breaches of the conditions of the bond in no event shall exceed the amount of such bond. The surety on the bond shall have the right to cancel the bond by giving 60 days' notice to the director, and thereafter the surety shall be relieved of liability for any breach of condition occurring after the effective date of cancellation. The director shall promptly, upon receiving any such request, notify the supplier, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter who furnished the bond and unless the supplier, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter, shall, on or before the expiration of such sixty-day period, file with the director a new bond fully complying with the provisions of this act, the director shall revoke and cancel such supplier's, distributor's, manufacturer's, importer's or exporter's license or licenses and notify the supplier, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter by registered mail or otherwise.

(b) The director may at any time require any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter to furnish such additional bond with authorized corporate surety, as shall be necessary to secure at all times the payment by such person to the state of all taxes, penalties and interest due under the provisions of this act. If any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter shall fail to file such additional bond within 10 days after receipt of written notice mailed or otherwise delivered to such person by the director, the director may suspend or revoke the license or licenses issued to such person, and collect all taxes, penalties and interest accrued against such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, im-

porter or exporter. For the purpose of determining whether an existing bond or bonds are sufficient, the director may at any time, by mailed written notice, or otherwise delivered, require any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter to furnish a financial statement in such form as the director may prescribe. Upon failure of any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter to furnish a sworn financial statement within 20 days after receipt of such written notice, the director may suspend or revoke any or all licenses issued to such person, and shall collect all taxes, penalties, and interest accrued against such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter.

Any surety on a bond furnished by a distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter as provided shall be released and discharged from any and all liability to the state accruing on such bond after the expiration of 60 days from the date upon which such surety shall have lodged with the director a written request to be released and discharged, but this provision shall not operate to relieve, release, or discharge the surety from any liability already accrued or which shall accrue before the expiration of the sixty-day period. The director shall promptly, upon receiving any such request, notify the distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter who furnished the bond and unless the distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter shall, on or before the expiration of such sixty-day period, file with the director a new bond fully complying with the provisions of this act, the director shall revoke and cancel such distributor's, manufacturer's, importer's or exporter's license or licenses and notify the distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter by registered mail or otherwise.

- (c) An applicant or licensee may elect to satisfy the bonding requirements of subsections (a) and (b) by depositing with the state treasurer cash, negotiable bonds of the United States or of the state of Kansas or negotiable certificates of deposit of any bank organized under the laws of the United States or of the state of Kansas. In the event a licensee elects to deposit a surety bond in lieu of the negotiable bonds or negotiable certificates of deposit previously deposited with the state treasurer, the state treasurer shall not release the negotiable bonds or negotiable certificates of deposits until at least 45 days after the date of the last transaction in which the licensee engaged prior to the date of the deposit of the surety bond. The cash deposit or market value of any such securities shall be equal to or greater than the amount of the bond required for the bonded area and any interest on those funds shall accrue to the benefit of the depositor.
- (d) Upon determination by the director that a judgment from a Kansas court of competent jurisdiction is a final judgment and that the judgment resulted from an act in violation of this act or would constitute grounds as an act by the licensee tending to prejudice, jeopardize or ren-

der wholly or partly ineffectual the collection of the tax imposed by this act, the proceeds of the bond on deposit or in lieu of bond provided by subsection (c), shall be paid over to the director. The determination by the director under this subsection is hereby specifically exempted from the Kansas administrative procedure act (K.S.A. 77-501 through 77-549, and amendments thereto,) and the act for judicial review and civil en-forcement of agency actions (K.S.A. 77-601 through 77-627, and amendments thereto). Any proceeding to enforce payment against a surety fol-lowing a determination by the director shall be prosecuted by the judgment creditor named in the final judgment sought to be enforced. Upon a finding by the court in such enforcement proceeding that a surety has wrongfully failed or refused to pay, the court shall award reasonable attorney fees to the judgment creditor.

(e) Licenses issued under the provisions of this act may be renewed annually before the first day of November upon an application to the director, but no licenses shall be renewed until the applicant shall file with the director a bond in such amounts as shall be fixed by the director and fully complying with the provisions of this act. Nothing contained in this act shall require the filing of an application or bond, or the possession or display of a motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels license, for the use, sale and delivery of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels exclusively in interstate or foreign commerce not within the taxing power of the state, or for use by, or sale or delivery to, the United States government.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 79-3406 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3406. Any *supplier*, distributor, or manufacturer or retailer who is the holder of any valid and unrevoked license or licenses and who shall subsequent to the issuance procure or propose to procure or operate additional places or stations for using, selling or delivering motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels, upon making application to the director, showing as to each proposed new place or station the same information as required for an original application, may secure from the director a license or licenses for each of such new or proposed places or stations, which new license or licenses shall be in the same form and contain the same statements as the original license or licenses.

Sec. 6. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3407 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3407. Whenever any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer or exporter is 10 days delinquent in the payment of any such tax, penalty or interest, or any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, or exporter or retailer is 10 days delinquent in the making of any such report, or shall make any false report or statement or application purporting to be under the provisions of this act, or shall make any false statement in any application, report or statement required by or purporting to be under the provisions of this act, or purporting to be under

the rules and regulations promulgated by the director under such provisions, or shall have willfully or persistently violated any of the provisions of this act or of any rules and regulations made thereunder, the director upon conducting a hearing as provided in this section and upon finding to the director's satisfaction upon such hearing, that such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer; *or* exporter or retailer has been delinquent, or has violated provisions of this act, may revoke any or all licenses issued to such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer; *or* exporter or retailer.

Hearings under this section shall be conducted in accordance with the Kansas administrative procedure act. In the event that the director revokes any license or licenses the *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer; *or* exporter or retailer to whom such license or licenses were issued shall immediately, upon service of the director's order, surrender the same to the director and cease using, selling, delivering or manufacturing any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels at or from any places of business or stations for which the license or licenses have been revoked.

- Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3408 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3408. (a) A tax per gallon or fraction thereof, at the rate computed as prescribed in K.S.A. 79-34,141, and amendments thereto, is hereby imposed on the use, sale or delivery of all motor vehicle fuels or special fuels which are used, sold or delivered in this state for any purpose whatsoever.
- (b) Every retail pump for motor-vehicle fuels shall be conspicuously labeled to show the content and percentage of any ethyl alcohol or other alcohol combined or alone in excess of 1% by volume.
- (c) Unless otherwise specified in K.S.A. 79-3408c, and amendments thereto, the incidence of this tax is imposed on the distributor of the first receipt of the motor fuel and such taxes shall be paid but once when the motor fuel is received. Such tax shall be computed on all motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels received by each *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer or importer in this state and paid in the manner provided for herein, except that an allowance of 2.5% shall be made and deducted by the distributor supplier, to cover all ordinary losses which may have resulted from physical loss while handling such motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels. No such allowance shall be made on any motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel exported from the state or sold to the United States of America or any of its agencies or instrumentalities or special fuel which is indelibly dyed in accordance with regulations prescribed pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 4082 as are now or hereinafter exempt by law from liability to state taxation. No such allowance shall be made for any motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel sold or disposed of to a consumer in tank car, transport or pipeline lots. The allowance shall be prorated between the supplier and

the licensed distributor. The supplier shall retain .25% and the distributor shall retain 2.25%.

- (d) No tax is hereby imposed upon or with respect to the following transactions:
- (1) The sale or delivery of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel for export from the state of Kansas to any other state or territory or to any foreign country, *if*:
- (A) The exporter has designated to the terminal supplier the destination for delivery of the fuel to a location outside the state; and
- (B) the exporter is licensed in the state of destination and has supplied the terminal supplier with that license number; or
- (C) the supplier collects and remits to the state of destination all taxes imposed on such fuel by the destination state.
- (2) The sale or delivery of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel to the United States of America and such of its agencies as are now or hereafter exempt by law from liability to state taxation.
- (3) The sale or delivery of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel to a contractor for use in performing work for the United States or those agencies of the United States above mentioned, provided such contractor has in effect with the United States or any such agency a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract covering the work.
- $\frac{4}{3}$ (3) The sale or delivery of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel which is aviation fuel.
- (5) The first sale or delivery of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel from a refinery, pipeline terminal, pipeline tank farm or other place to a duly licensed distributor who in turn resells to another duly licensed distributor.
- (6) (4) The sale or delivery of special fuel which is indelibly dyed in accordance with regulations prescribed pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 4082 and such special fuel is only used for nonhighway purposes.
- (e) Each *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, *or* exporter or retailer shall make full reports and furnish such further information as the director may require with reference to all transactions upon which no tax is to be paid.
- Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3408c is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3408c. (a) A tax is hereby imposed on the use, sale or delivery of all motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel owned at 12:01 a.m. July 1, 1999, and on July 1 of each year thereafter, by any licensed supplier, distributor or licensed retailer at a rate per gallon, or fraction thereof, equal to the amount, if any, by which the tax per gallon, or fraction thereof, in effect on such date as prescribed by K.S.A. 79-3408, and amendments thereto, exceeds the rate of tax upon such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel which was in effect on the preceding day. Such tax shall be paid by the licensed

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supplier, distributor or licensed retailer owning such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel at such time and date. On or before the 25th last day of the month in which a tax is imposed under this section, or if the last day of the month falls on a Saturday, a Sunday or a federal or state legal holiday, the next succeeding workday, every such supplier, distributor and retail dealer shall make a report to the director on a form prescribed and furnished by the director showing the total number of gallons, or fraction thereof, of such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel owned at the time the tax is imposed under this section and such report shall be accompanied by a remittance of the tax due.

Any licensed supplier, distributor or licensed retailer who shall fail to make such report or pay such tax, within the time prescribed, shall be subject to the same penalties and interest charges prescribed by the motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel tax law for failure of a licensed distributor supplier to make monthly reports and payments of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel tax. The provisions of the motor-fuel tax law relating to remedies for the collection of delinquent motor-fuel taxes from distributors suppliers shall apply to the collection of taxes imposed by this section which have become delinquent from licensed suppliers, distributors and licensed retailers. All taxes, penalties and interest collected by the director under the tax imposed by this section shall be remitted by the director to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the funds and in the amounts specified in K.S.A. 79-34,142, and amendments thereto.

(b) Whenever the rate of tax upon motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels fixed pursuant to K.S.A. 79-3408, and amendments thereto, which become effective on July 1, 1999, or on July 1 in any year thereafter is less than the rate of tax upon such fuel in effect on the preceding day, the licensed supplier, distributor or licensed retailer owning such fuel at 12:01 a.m. on the date such reduction in taxes becomes effective shall be entitled to a refund of taxes paid upon such fuel in an amount equal to the amount by which taxes were reduced from the amount of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels taxes per gallon, or fraction thereof, actually paid upon each gallon, or fraction thereof, of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels multiplied by the number of gallons of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels owned by the *supplier*, distributor or dealer on such date. On or before the 25th last day of the month in which such tax is reduced, or if the last day of the month falls on a Saturday, a Sunday or a federal or state legal holiday, the next succeeding workday, every such supplier, distributor and retailer shall make a report to the director on a form prescribed and furnished by the director showing the total number of

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gallons of such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel owned by such *supplier*, distributor or retailer at 12:01 a.m. on the date upon which such tax was reduced. It shall be the duty of the director of taxation to examine all 3 such claims and determine the amount to which each claimant is entitled. 4 In the event any *supplier*, distributor or retailer entitled to such refund 5 6 shall owe the state any motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel tax, penalties, or interest, the refund authorized by this section shall upon being determined by the director be credited upon the amount of such taxes, pen-8 9 alties and interest. Whenever the director shall determine that any sup-10 plier, distributor or retailer shall be entitled to a refund under any of the provisions of this section, and such refund cannot be effected by giving 12 credit therefor, as hereinbefore provided, or against the future motor-13 vehicle fuel or special fuel tax liability of such taxpayer the director shall 14 certify the amount of the refund to the state director of accounts and 15 reports, who shall draw a warrant for the amount so certified on the state 16 treasurer in favor of the *supplier*, distributor or retailer entitled to such 17 refund, and mail, or otherwise deliver, the same to the *supplier*, distrib-18 utor or retailer entitled thereto. Such warrant shall be paid by the state 19 treasurer to such *supplier*, distributor or retailer from the motor-vehicle 20 fuel or special fuel tax refund fund. 21

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any licensed retailer who is a native American whose licensed place of business or businesses are located on such retailer's reservation, nor to any native American tribes having licensed places of business or businesses located on such tribe's reservation.

Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3409 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3409. Every distributor paying such tax or being liable for the payment shall be entitled to charge and collect an amount, including the cost of doing business that could include such tax on motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels sold or delivered by such distributor, as a part of the selling price. For the privilege of selling or dealing in motor fuels, in this state by any person engaged in business as a supplier, distributor, manufacturer or importer thereof, there is hereby levied and there shall be collected and remitted a tax upon all motor fuels sold, distributed, given away, used or possessed in the state by any person for sale within the state of Kansas. Such tax is intended to be imposed but once on the same gallon of motor fuel. It shall be presumed that all motor fuel within the state is subject to tax until the contrary is established, and the burden of proof that any motor fuel is not taxable hereunder shall be upon the person in possession thereof. When the price of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels posted on a price sign does not include the state and federal tax which such retail dealer's distributor paid or for which the distributor was liable, the total of the taxes must be shown in numbers the same size as

the price of the motor fuel. Any deviation from the maximum price charged for a given grade of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels must be stated in letters at least six inches high and legible. Fractions of cents must be posted in numbers at least ½ the height of the whole number.

Sec. 10. K.S.A. 79-3410 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3410. (a) Except as hereinafter provided, every *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, or exporter or retailer of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels, on or before the 25th last day of each month, or if the last day of the month falls on a Saturday, a Sunday or a federal or state legal holiday, the next succeeding workday, shall render to the director at the director's office in Topeka, Kansas, upon a form prescribed, prepared and furnished by the director a report certified to be true and correct showing the number of gallons of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels received by such supplier, distributor, manufacturer, importer, or exporter or retailer during the preceding calendar month, and such further information as the director shall require. Every supplier, distributor and importer shall be exempt from reporting to the director exempt sales to the end user of special fuel which is indelibly dyed in accordance with regulations prescribed pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 4082. Every supplier, distributor, manufacturer or importer within the time herein fixed for the rendering of such reports, shall compute and shall pay remit to the director at the director's office the amount of taxes due to the state on all motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels received by such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer or importer during the preceding calendar month.

- (b) (1) Every licensed distributor, upon complying with the provisions of K.S.A. 79-3405, and amendments thereto, may elect to defer payment of the the tax to its supplier until two business days prior to the date the tax is due and payable to the state by the supplier, provided such payment is made by the distributor to the supplier by electronic funds transfer.
- (2) In the event a distributor fails to pay its supplier by the date specified in paragraph (1), the distributor no longer qualifies to defer payment of the tax.
- (b) (c) The director may waive the requirement for monthly reports from licensed manufacturers, who are also licensed distributors suppliers, when all taxes accrued under either or both licenses or which might accrue are paid under the distributor supplier license. All taxes imposed under the provisions of this act not paid on or before the 25th last day of the month succeeding the calendar month in which the motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels were received by the supplier, distributor, manufacturer or importer shall be deemed delinquent and shall bear interest at the rate per month, or fraction thereof, prescribed by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 79-2968, and amendments thereto, from such due date until paid,

and in addition thereto there is hereby imposed upon all amounts of such taxes remaining due and unpaid after such due date a penalty in the amount of 5%, and the penalty shall be by the director added to and collected as a part of the taxes. If the *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer or importer furnishes evidence to the director that the delinquency was due to causes beyond such person's reasonable control, and if in the opinion of the director the delinquency was not the result of willful negligence of the *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer or importer the penalty or interest or both may be waived or reduced by the director.

If any person shall file a false or fraudulent return or fail to file a return with intent to evade the tax imposed by this act, there shall be added to the amount of deficiency determined by the director a penalty equal to 100% of the deficiency together with the interest at the rate per month or fraction thereof, prescribed by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 79-2968, and amendments thereto, on such deficiency from the date such tax was due to the date of payment, in addition to all other penalties prescribed by law. Every manufacturer, refiner or terminal operator of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels shall daily send reports to the director of all sales of liquid fuels. The reports are to be made on forms prescribed, prepared and furnished by the director or on forms furnished by the manufacturer and approved by the director.

(e) (d) Whenever the secretary or the secretary's designee determines that the failure of the taxpayer to comply with the provisions of subsection (b) (c) was due to reasonable causes, the secretary or the secretary's designee may waive or reduce any of the penalties and may reduce the interest rate to the underpayment rate prescribed and determined for the applicable period under section 6621 of the federal internal revenue code as in effect on January 1, 1994, upon making a record of the reasons therefor.

Sec. 11. K.S.A. 79-3411 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3411. If any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, exporter or retailer shall fail, neglect or refuse to render any report required by the provisions of this act within the period specified, or if the director is not satisfied of the correctness of any report or tax payment made by any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, exporter or retailer, the director is hereby authorized and empowered to determine from any information in the director's possession the true amount of taxes, penalties and interest due the state from such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, exporter or retailer and such determination shall, in all actions or proceedings, be taken as prima facie correct. Promptly after making such determination the director shall send, or deliver, by registered mail or otherwise, a statement to such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, exporter or retailer and shall proceed to collect the amounts so

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Sec. 12. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3412 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3412. Whenever any person shall be in default for more than 10 days in payment of any taxes, penalties or interest accruing or accrued under the provisions of this act, and no seizure of property of such person has been made under any other provisions of this act, the director shall, unless the director has good reason to the contrary, issue a warrant under the secretary's or the secretary's designee's hand and official seal, directed to the sheriff of any county of the state, commanding the sheriff to levy upon and sell the real and personal property of the taxpayer person found within the sheriff's county for the payment of the amount thereof with the added penalties, interest and cost of executing the warrant and to return the warrant to the secretary or the secretary's designee and to pay to the secretary or the secretary's designee the money collected by virtue of it not more than 60 days from the date of the warrant. The sheriff, within five days after the receipt of the warrant, shall file with the clerk of the district court of the county a copy thereof, and thereupon the clerk shall enter in the appearance docket the name of the person specified in the warrant, the amount of the tax or portion of it, interest and penalties for which the warrant is issued and the date such copy is filed and note the taxpayer's person's name in the general index. No fee shall be charged for either entry. The amount of such warrant so docketed shall thereupon become a lien upon the title to and interest in the real property of the taxpayer person against whom it is issued. The sheriff shall proceed in the same manner and with the same effect as prescribed by law with respect to executions issued against property upon judgments of a court of record and shall be entitled to the same fees for services to be collected in the same manner.

The court in which the warrant is docketed shall have jurisdiction over all subsequent proceedings as fully as though a judgment had been rendered in the court. At the discretion of the secretary or the secretary's designee, a warrant of like terms, force and effect may be issued and directed to any officer or employee of the secretary, and in the execution thereof, such officer or employee shall have all the powers conferred by law upon sheriffs, with respect to executions issued against property upon judgments of a court of record, and the subsequent proceedings thereunder shall be the same as provided where the warrant is issued directly to the sheriff. The taxpayer person shall have the right to redeem the real estate within a period of 18 months from the date of such sale. If a warrant is returned, unsatisfied in full, the secretary or the secretary's designee shall have the same remedies to enforce the claim for taxes as if the state of Kansas had recovered judgment against the taxpayer person for the amount of the tax. No law exempting any goods and chattels, lands and

 tenements from forced sale under execution shall apply to a levy and sale under any such warrant or upon any execution issued upon any judgment rendered in any action for motor fuel taxes. The secretary or the secretary's designee shall have the right at any time after a warrant has been returned unsatisfied or satisfied only in part, to issue alias warrants until the full amount of the tax is collected.

Sec. 13. K.S.A. 79-3413 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3413. Whenever any person, liable to this state for any taxes, penalties and interest imposed by, or accumulated under, the provisions of this act, shall fail, neglect or refuse to pay the full amount of such taxes, penalties and interest when the same is due, the director shall deliver by mail or otherwise to the register of deeds of the county in which such person resides, or has its principal place of business in this state, a certified notice of lien setting forth the name and address of the person so liable, the amount of all taxes, penalties and interest due from such person to the state, and that such sums are due under the provisions of this act.

The director may also deliver such notice of lien as aforesaid to the register of deeds of any county in this state in which the person liable for such taxes, interest or penalties has any property, real or personal. All such taxes, interest and penalties shall be and constitute a lien upon all the personal property of the person so liable located in this state and upon all real estate belonging to such person and located in the county in which such notice of lien shall be filed, from the time of the filing of such notice of lien and until all said such taxes, interest and penalties are paid in full. It shall be the duty of each register of deeds in this state to index and file immediately all such notices of lien in the manner provided in cases of chattel mortgages, and no fee shall be charged for such filing and indexing. The director may issue a certificate of release of lien upon request whenever all taxes, interest and penalties for which such person is liable, whether set forth in such notice of lien or not, have been fully paid and satisfied, and such person may file the same with the register of deeds of any county in which such notice of lien has been filed. The lien provided in favor of the state by this section shall be superior to all other liens which shall accrue or attach on the property of the person liable subsequent to the filing of such notice of lien.

The state director or his or her the director's deputy or agent may, or any sheriff or constable, in his or her such sheriff's jurisdiction, upon written instruction of the director, shall, at any time after such lien accrues, seize and hold all personal property subject thereto and proceed to advertise and sell the same, or so much thereof as shall be necessary to satisfy the amount of the state's lien, together with all expenses of selling, at public sale for cash, upon such notice as is provided by law in the case of a chattel-mortgage sale. Any surplus of the proceeds of such

sale, after paying the amount of the lien of the state thereon and the costs of the officers in giving notice of and holding such sale, and securing and preserving the property pending such sale, shall be delivered to the person or persons lawfully entitled thereto.

Every assignee, sheriff, receiver, trustee or other officer who shall seize or take possession of any property or estate of any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer or importer or of any person liable to the state for any taxes, interest or penalties accruing under the provisions of this act, shall promptly, upon so doing, notify the director in writing of the title of the cause or proceeding in which such officer was appointed or is acting, and the property which has been seized or taken into possession, with the purpose for which same was taken; and in case of an order on creditors to file claims, shall furnish notice thereof to the director. It shall be the duty of the director to furnish to any person having an interest therein, and applying therefor, a true statement of the amount of taxes, penalties and interest shown in the records of said the director to be due from any *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer or importer but such statement shall not preclude the director from asserting any claim or lien for taxes, interest or penalties which shall subsequently accrue or be discovered.

Sec. 14. K.S.A. 79-3414 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3414. Whenever a *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, *or* exporter or retailer ceases to engage in business as a *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, *or* exporter or retailer at any place or station within the state of Kansas by reason of the discontinuance, sale or transfer of the business of such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, *or* exporter or retailer it shall be the duty of such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, *or* exporter or retailer to notify the director in writing at least five days prior to the time the discontinuance, sale or transfer takes effect. The notice, as to each such place or station, shall give the date of discontinuance and, in the event of a sale or transfer of the business, the date thereof and the name and address of the purchaser or transferee.

All taxes, penalties, and interest accrued under the provisions of this act, whether or not due and payable under other provisions of this act, shall become due and payable concurrently with such discontinuance, sale or transfer, and it shall be the duty of any such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, or exporter or retailer to render to the director the report herein required, and pay all such taxes, interest and penalties, and to surrender to the director all licenses issued to the *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, or exporter or retailer for such places or stations. Unless all taxes, penalties and interest accrued and due under the provisions of this act from a *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, or exporter or retailer making such sale or transfer have been paid

at the time such sale or transfer becomes effective, the purchaser or transferee shall be liable to the state of Kansas for the amount of all such taxes, penalties and interest, but only to the extent of the value of the property and business acquired from such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer; *or* exporter or retailer.

Sec. 15. K.S.A. 79-3415 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3415. Each *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, exporter, retailer or user shall maintain and keep, for a period of three years, a full record or records of all motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels received, used or sold and delivered within this state by such *supplier*, distributor, manufacturer, importer, exporter, retailer or user, together with invoices and bills of lading thereof, and such other pertinent papers as may be required by the director.

Sec. 16. K.S.A. 79-3417 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3417. Every *supplier or* distributor shall be entitled to a refund from the state of the amount of motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels tax paid on any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels of 100 gallons or more in quantity, which are lost or destroyed at any one time while such *supplier or* distributor is the owner thereof, through theft, leakage, fire, explosion, lightning, flood, storm or other cause beyond the control of the *supplier or* distributor. Such *supplier or* distributor shall notify the director in writing of such loss or destruction, the specific cause thereof, and the amount of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel so lost or destroyed, within 60 days from the date of such loss or destruction. Within 30 days after notifying the director of such loss or destruction such *supplier or* distributor shall file with the director an affidavit on oath, stating the full circumstances and amount of the loss or destruction and other information requested by the director.

The director shall examine all such claims and determine the amount to which the claimant is entitled. If any *supplier or* distributor entitled to a refund owes the state any motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel tax, penalties, or interest, the refund authorized by this section shall be credited upon such taxes, penalties and interest. When the director determines that any *supplier or* distributor is entitled to a refund under this section, and such refund cannot be effected by giving credit therefor, the director shall sign a voucher for the refund. Such amount shall be paid to the *supplier or* distributor from the revenue administration fee fund.

Sec. 17. K.S.A. 79-3419 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3419. The director of taxation shall enforce the provisions of this act. The secretary of revenue shall adopt rules and regulations for the administration of this act. In the performance of the director's duties, the director of taxation may call upon the law enforcement officers of this state to perform their several duties within their respective jurisdiction, and it

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shall be the duty of each such law enforcement officer to render aid in the enforcement of the provisions of this act.

The county attorneys of the several counties of this state shall prosecute all violations of the provisions of this act, and all civil proceedings arising or pending in their respective counties for recovery of taxes, penalties or interest, arising under the provisions of this act. The director of taxation may request of the attorney general the aid and assistance of the Kansas bureau of investigation for investigation of special cases. The director of taxation, the director of vehicles and the attorney general shall communicate to each other all information received concerning violations of the provisions of the motor-fuel tax law and also all information concerning suspected violations which in the opinion of any one of them requires investigation.

The director of taxation shall designate auditors, appointed in writing by the director, to engage in the enforcement of the provisions hereof. Such auditors shall check *suppliers*, distributors, *importers*, *exporters*, retailers, refund permit holders or any person who uses, stores, transports, sells or delivers liquid fuels, motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels to insure strict compliance with the provisions of the motor-fuel tax law. The director or such auditor shall have authority to administer oaths, issue subpoenas, compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, accounts, documents and testimony.

In case of disobedience on the part of any person to comply with any subpoena issued hereunder, or the refusal of any witness to testify to any matter regarding which such person may be lawfully interrogated, it shall be the duty of the district court of the proper county, or the judge thereof on application of such director or auditor to compel obedience by proceedings for contempt, as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from such court or a refusal to testify therein.

Sec. 18. K.S.A. 79-3420 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3420. The director, or any deputy or agent appointed in writing by the director, is hereby authorized to examine the books, papers, records, storage tanks, tank wagons, trucks and any other equipment of any *supplier*, distributor, dealer, transporter, manufacturer, importer, exporter, retailer, user or any other person, pertaining to the use, storage, transportation or sale and delivery of liquid fuels, motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels, to verify the accuracy of any report, statement or payment made under the provisions of this act, or to ascertain whether or not all reports and tax payments required by this act have been made. Any information gained by the director, the director's deputies or agents, as the result of the reports, investigations and verifications herein required to be made, shall be confidential, and shall not be divulged by any person except as herein provided. Every *supplier*, distributor, dealer, transporter, manu-

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facturer, importer, exporter, retailer or user and every person handling or possessing any liquid fuels, motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels shall give the director, or the director's deputy or agent appointed in writing, full and free access during reasonable business hours to all the papers, records and property mentioned, with full opportunity to examine the same. The director, or any deputy or agent appointed in writing by the director, shall examine returns and shall determine the correct amount of the tax. If the tax found due shall be greater than the amount paid, or if a claim for a refund is denied, notice shall be mailed to the taxpayer. Within 60 days after the mailing of such notice, the taxpayer may request an informal conference with the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee relating to the tax liability by filing a written request with the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee. Based on the evidence presented at such informal conference, the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee shall make a final determination within the period prescribed by K.S.A. 79-3226, and amendments thereto, and shall notify the taxpayer of such decision and, if additional amounts are found to be due, such decision shall be accompanied by a notice and demand for payment. Notice under this section shall be sent by first-class mail. The tax shall be paid within 20 days thereafter, together with interest at the rate per month prescribed by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 79-2968, and amendments thereto, on the additional tax from the date the tax was due unless an appeal is taken in the manner provided by law, but no additional tax shall be assessed for less than \$5. Interest at such rate shall continue to accrue on any additional tax liability during the course of any appeal.

Whenever the director of taxation has reason to believe that a person liable for tax under any provisions of the motor-fuel tax law is about to depart from the state or to remove such person's property therefrom, or to conceal oneself or such person's property therein, or to do any other act tending to prejudice, jeopardize or render wholly or partly ineffectual the collection of such motor-fuel tax unless proceedings be brought without delay, the director shall immediately make an assessment for all motor-fuel tax due from such taxpayer, noting such finding on the assessment. The assessment shall be made on the basis of emergency proceedings in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 77-536, and amendments thereto. Thereupon, a warrant shall be issued for the collection of the tax as provided in K.S.A. 79-3412, and amendments thereto, except that there shall be no 10-day waiting period before assessment is issued. The taxpayer, within 15 days from the date of filing of such warrant, may request an informal conference with the secretary of revenue or the secretary's designee on the correctness of the assessment. The director may publish the gallons received by each licensed motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel supplier and distributor and the deductions claimed

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by such *supplier and* distributor and such publication shall be an exception to the confidentiality provisions of K.S.A. 75-5133, and amendments thereto. The director may also make available or furnish information to the taxing officials of any other state or of the federal government, or the director of property valuation, in the manner as provided in K.S.A. 74-2424, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 19. K.S.A. 79-3426 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3426. (a) The director, upon the request of the official of any other state entrusted with the enforcement of the motor-vehicle fuels tax law of such other state, may forward to such official any information which the director may have in the director's possession relative to the manufacture, receipt, sale, delivery, use, transportation or shipment by any person of liquid fuels, and the director, upon request of any *supplier*, distributor, importer; *or* exporter or retailer holding a valid license, shall furnish to such *supplier*, distributor, importer; *or* exporter or retailer a list of the names and addresses of all the persons holding *supplier's*, distributor's, importer's; *or* exporter's or retailer's licenses issued and outstanding in this state.

(b) The director, upon the request of the official entrusted with the enforcement of the fuel tax laws of any other state, the District of Columbia, the United States, its territories and possessions, the provinces of the Dominion of Canada, may forward to such official any information which the director may have in the director's possession relative to the manufacture, receipt, sale, delivery, use, transportation or shipment by any person of special fuel as defined in this act.

Sec. 20. K.S.A. 79-3453 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3453. Any person who uses any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels on which the motor-fuel or special fuel tax has been paid for use in school buses or for any purpose other than operating motor vehicles on the public highways, such person shall be entitled to be refunded the tax paid upon complying with the requirements of this act. Such person shall not be entitled to a refund of such tax unless the amount of the refund exceeds \$25. The words "licensed distributor," as used in this act, shall also include a licensed importer.

Sec. 21. K.S.A. 79-3456 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3456. (a) At the time of making each delivery of motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel upon which a refund of the tax may be claimed, the licensed distributor or licensed retailer delivering the same shall make out an invoice which shall contain a serial number which shall not be repeated through any one calendar year, and which shall state the following:

- (1) The name of the distributor or retailer (printed or rubber stamped) selling the refund motor fuel;
 - (2) the name of the purchaser;

- (3) the number of gallons of motor-vehicle fuel containing less than 10% agricultural ethyl alcohol thus purchased and delivered;
- (4) the number of gallons of motor-vehicle fuels containing 10% or more of agricultural ethyl alcohol thus purchased and delivered;
 - (5) the date and place of delivery;
- (6) the number of gallons of special fuel purchased and delivered; and
 - (7) the price paid for such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel.
- (b) The invoice prepared by a distributor or retailer shall be made out in triplicate unless the invoice is generated by automated procedures approved by the director. One copy of each invoice made out in triplicate shall be delivered to the purchaser at the time of purchase. Upon receiving payment in full for such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel the distributor or retailer shall receipt for payment on the original invoices. A duplicate shall be retained by the distributor or retailer for a period of three years and shall be subject to examination by the director. Carbon or contact-type paper shall be used in making the first and second duplicate invoices unless the invoice is generated by automated procedures approved by the director.
- (c) Invoices generated by automated procedures approved by the director shall be made out in duplicate. The original of each such invoice shall be delivered to the purchaser and upon receiving payment for such motor-vehicle fuel or special fuel the distributor or retailer shall receipt for payment on another original invoice. Duplicates of all such invoices shall be retained by the distributor or retailer for a period of three years.
- (d) If the invoice of any distributor or retailer is not printed in triplicate or does not meet the requirements of this section then such distributor or retailer shall use the uniform invoice prepared and furnished free of cost by the director as provided in this act.
- Sec. 22. K.S.A. 79-3457 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3457. The director shall issue free of cost the blank invoices required by this act to those distributors or retailers who do not provide their own invoices approved by the director. The director shall keep accurate records of all invoices issued and furnished to each licensed distributor or licensed retailer, and the licensed distributor or retailer shall, at all times, account for all such invoices received by such distributor or retailer. The director shall not issue any additional invoices to a licensed distributor or licensed retailer until such distributor or retailer has made proper accounting for such invoices issued to such distributor or retailer. The invoices shall not be transferable or assignable unless such transfer or assignment is authorized by the director.
- Sec. 23. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3464c is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3464c. (a) The director may require a *supplier*, licensed dis-

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tributor *or importer* receiving 50,000 gallons of motor fuel or more in a calendar month to file by electronic or magnetic media, in a standard format, such information as specified by the director. A *supplier*, licensed distributor *or importer*, that can show just cause, may request a waiver from these requirements.

- (b) Any distributor filing information prescribed by the director in accordance with subsection (a), who continues to file in accordance with subsection (a), shall be entitled to a onetime tax credit against the motor fuel tax imposed by article 34 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated. Distributors filing in accordance with subsection (a):
- (1) On or before July 1, 1999, shall be entitled to an amount equal to \$8,000;
- (2) after July 1, 1999, but on or before July 1, 2000, shall be entitled to an amount equal to \$6,400; and
- (3) after July 1, 2000, but on or before June 30, 2001, shall be entitled to an amount equal to \$4,000.
- (c) Any distributor electing to cease filing in accordance with subsection (a) within 10 years of the taxable year in which the taxpayer claimed the credit pursuant to subsection (b), shall be liable to reimburse the state for the amount of any such credit claimed.
- (d) The secretary of revenue shall adopt rules and regulations establishing the criteria and procedures for claiming the tax credit under subsection (b).
- Sec. 24. K.S.A. 79-3464e is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3464e. (a) It shall be unlawful for any *supplier*, distributor, importer, exporter, manufacturer, retailer, user, carrier, transporter or any other person to:
- (1) Use, sell, manufacture or deliver any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels at any place without having a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked license as required by this act;
- (2)(1) Fail, neglect or refuse to render to the director at the director's office, within the time required by the provisions of this act, any report or statement required by or purporting to be under the provisions of this act, or purporting to be under the rules and regulations promulgated by the director under such provisions;
- (3) fail, neglect or refuse to pay the director, within the time required by this act, any tax, taxes, interest or penalties for which such person is liable under the provisions of this act;
- (4) (2) fail, neglect or refuse to keep and maintain for a period of three years, or fail to make fully and freely accessible during business hours to the director, the director's deputy or agent, all books, papers and records required by this act to be kept and maintained and so made accessible;

- $\frac{5}{5}$ (3) use any motor fuels purchased as exempt in a taxable manner;
- (6) (4) sell, receive or transport motor fuels without proper and correct manifests;
- (7) (5) sell or hold for sale dyed fuel that such person knows or has reason to know will not be used for a nontaxable purpose;
- $\frac{(8)}{(6)}$ violate any other provision of this act not specified in this section;
- $\frac{(9)}{(8)}(7)$ aid and abet in violations contained in paragraphs (1) through $\frac{(8)}{(6)}$;
- (8) use, sell, manufacture or deliver any motor-vehicle fuels or special fuels at any place without having a valid, unsuspended and unrevoked license as required by this act;
- (9) fail, neglect or refuse to pay the director, within the time required by this act, any tax, taxes, interest or penalties for which such person is liable under the provisions of this act;
- (10) falsify, forge or willfully conceal from the director or director's agent, any books, papers and records required by this act;
- (11) knowingly submit a false or forged application for licensure under this act;
- (12) knowingly make any false or forged application for a refund permit or claim for refund or to knowingly make any false statement in any application for a refund permit, or in any claim for a refund;
- (13) present, or cause to be presented, to the director for credit, or for refund, any false, forged or altered invoice of refund;
- (14) falsify, forge or alter any documents associated with the use, sale, manufacture or delivery of any motor fuels;
- (15) deliver or accept delivery, with the intent to evade the obligation of collecting, remitting or accounting for motor fuel tax to this state, any motor fuel, knowing that the manifest or bill of lading indicates that the motor fuel was intended to be delivered to a tax exempt entity or intended to be delivered to a location outside the state of Kansas;
 - (16) use dyed fuel other than for a nontaxable use;
- (17) willfully alters or attempts to alter, the strength or composition of any dye in any dyed fuel; or
- (18) aid and abet in violations contained in paragraphs (10) (8) through (17).
- (b) Violation of paragraphs (1) through $\frac{(9)}{(7)}$ is a misdemeanor. Any person convicted of such violation shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$10,000, or imprisoned in the county jail for not less than 30 days nor more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Upon a second or subsequent conviction, such person shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$50,000, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than 60 days nor more

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than two years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

- (c) Violation of paragraphs $\frac{(10)}{(8)}$ (8) through (18) is a severity level 10, nonperson felony.
- (d) For any violations of this section, the director may suspend or revoke any license issued to any person found to be in violation and assess an administrative penalty of \$10 per gallon of motor fuels involved, or a penalty of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$10,000; and upon a second or subsequent violation, a penalty of \$25 per gallon of motor fuels involved or a penalty of not less than \$5,000 nor more than \$50,000.
- Sec. 25. K.S.A. 79-3464f is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3464f. K.S.A. 79-3464a through 79-3464e, and amendments thereto, and section 1, and amendments thereto, shall be a part of and supplemental to, the motor-fuel tax law, K.S.A. 79-3401 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 26. K.S.A. 79-3401, 79-3403, 79-3405, 79-3406, 79-3410, 79-3411, 79-3413, 79-3414, 79-3415, 79-3417, 79-3419, 79-3420, 79-3426, 79-3453, 79-3456, 79-3457, 79-3464e and 79-3464f and K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 79-3407, 79-3408, 79-3408c, 79-3409, 79-3412 and 79-3464c are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 27. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after January 1, 2003, and its publication in the statute book.