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SENATE BILL No. 303

By Committee on Ways and Means

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9 AN ACT enacting the Kansas fuel ethanol act. 10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 11 12 Section 1. The provisions of sections 1 through 6, and amendments 13 thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas fuel ethanol act. Sec. 2. As used in the Kansas fuel ethanol act: 1415 (a) "Fuel ethanol-blended gasoline" means a mixture of 90% gasoline 16and 10% fuel ethanol in which the fuel ethanol meets ASTM International 17Specification D 4806, as amended. The 10% fuel ethanol portion may be 18derived from any agricultural source; 19 "distributor" means a person who either produces, refines, (b) 20blends, compounds or manufactures motor fuel, imports motor fuel into 21a state or exports motor fuel out of a state, or who is engaged in distri-22bution of motor fuel; 23 "Kansas qualified ethanol producer" means a facility that pro-(c) duces fuel ethanol, or fuel-ethanol blended gasoline within Kansas and is 24 25registered with the United States environmental protection agency pur-26suant to 40 CFR 79; 27 "position holder" means the person who holds the inventory po-(d) 28sition in motor fuel in a terminal, as reflected on the records of the ter-29 minal operator. A person holds the inventory position in motor fuel when 30 that person has a contract with the terminal operator for the use of storage 31facilities and terminating services for motor fuel at the terminal. The term 32 includes a terminal operator who owns motor fuel in the terminal; 33 (e) "premium gasoline" means gasoline with an antiknock index num-34 ber of 91 or greater; 35 "qualified terminal" means a terminal that has been assigned a (f) 36 terminal control number ("tcn") by the internal revenue service; 37 (g) "supplier" includes a person that produces fuel grade ethanol or 38 alcohol-derivative substances in this state, produces fuel grade alcohol or 39 alcohol-derivative substances for import to this state into a terminal, or 40 acquires upon import by truck, rail car or barge into a terminal, fuel grade alcohol or alcohol-derivative substances. "Supplier" also includes a per-4142missive supplier unless specifically provided otherwise. "Supplier" also 43 means a person that is:

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(1) Registered or required to be registered pursuant to 26 U.S.C.,
 Section 4101, for transactions in motor fuels in the bulk transfer/terminal
 distribution system; and

(2) one or more of the following:

(A) The position holder in a terminal or refinery in this state;

(B) imports motor fuel into this state from a foreign country;

(C) acquires motor fuel from a terminal or refinery in this state from
a position holder pursuant to either a two-party exchange or a qualified
buy-sell arrangement which is treated as an exchange and appears on the
records of the terminal operator; or

11 (D) the position holder in a terminal or refinery outside this state 12 with respect to motor fuel which that person imports into this state. A 13 terminal operator shall not be considered a supplier based solely on the 14 fact that the terminal operator handles motor fuel consigned to it within 15 a terminal.

16 Sec. 3. On and after January 1, 2009, all gasoline sold for retail in 17 the state of Kansas shall be fuel ethanol-blended gasoline, and to the 18 extent necessary supply is available, the fuel ethanol shall be obtained 19 from a Kansas qualified ethanol producer. All terminals in Kansas that 20 sell gasoline shall offer for sale, in cooperation with position holders and 21 suppliers, fuel ethanol-blended gasoline and premium gasoline.

22 Sec. 4. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, all fuel retailers, wholesalers, distributors and marketers shall be allowed to pur-23 chase fuel ethanol from any terminal, position holder, fuel ethanol pro-24 ducer, fuel ethanol wholesaler or supplier. If a court of competent 2526jurisdiction finds that this subsection does not apply to or improperly 27 impairs contractual relationships existing on the effective date of this act, then the provisions of this subsection shall only apply to contractual re-2829 lationships created after the effective date of this act.

Sec. 5. (a) Upon request of the department of agriculture or the department of revenue, the position holder, supplier, distributor and ultimate vendor shall provide the required documentation regarding the sales transaction and price of fuel ethanol, fuel ethanol-blended gasoline and premium gasoline to the requesting department. All information obtained by the departments from such sources shall be confidential and not disclosed except by court order or as otherwise provided by law.

(b) The following shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection(a):

39 (1) Aviation fuel and automotive gasoline used in aircraft;

40 (2) fuel ethanol exceeding a 10% ethanol blend;

41 (3) any specific exemptions declared by the United States environ-

42 mental protection agency; and

43 (4) bulk transfers between terminals.

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Sec. 6. In addition to any other penalty provided by law, any person 1 2 violating the provisions of this act, and amendments thereto, or the rules 3 and regulations adopted pursuant to this act may incur fines in an amount not less than \$50 nor more than \$1,000 for each such violation. In the 4 $\mathbf{5}$ case of a continuing violation, every day such violation continues is a separate violation. Such fines shall be imposed pursuant to the procedures 6 7 provided in the administrative procedure act. All fines recovered shall be remitted to the state treasurer and deposited to the credit of the state 8 9 general fund. Sec. 7. The secretary of agriculture is hereby authorized to prom-10ulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this act. 11 Sec. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

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