

REVENUE: Revenue statement issued

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Revenue by prior reference

Vote: 5 - 3 - 1

Yeas: Boone, Dembrow, Reardon, Vega Pederson, Bailey

Nays: Bentz, Johnson, Whitsett

Exc.: Weidner

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Meeting Dates: 2/21, 3/14

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Exempts from fuel excise tax diesel fuel blended with at least 20 percent biodiesel derived from used cooking oil. Exemption does not apply to fuel used in motor vehicles with gross vehicle weight of 26,001 pounds or more. Applies to fuel sold after January 1, 2014 and before January 1, 2020. Takes effect 91 days after sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Biodiesel production process
- Performance of biodiesel
- Cost of inputs of biofuel
- Oregon Department of Transportation implementation process

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Raises exemption for motor vehicles from 10,000 to 26,001 pounds.

BACKGROUND: Vehicle fuels are currently subject to a fuels excise tax. Biodiesel can be produced using cooking oil sourced from restaurants and other facilities. House Bill 2435 A would exempt such biodiesels from the fuels excise tax when used in certain size vehicles.