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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a requirement that the state department of  
2 transportation give preference to soydiesel fuel when  
3 purchasing fuel for use in its vehicles.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 307.21, Code 2001, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. When purchasing special diesel fuel,  
4 give preference to biodiesel fuel for use in the department's  
5 motor vehicles that operate on diesel fuel. A department  
6 motor vehicle operating on biodiesel fuel shall be affixed  
7 with a brightly visible sticker which notifies the traveling  
8 public that the motor vehicle uses biodiesel fuel. For  
9 purposes of this section, "biodiesel fuel" means soydiesel  
10 fuel as defined in section 159A.2.

11 Sec. 2. STATUS OF PILOT PROJECT. Section 307.21,  
12 subsection 5A, as enacted by this Act, shall have no effect on  
13 the status of the biodiesel fuel pilot project provided for in  
14 2000 Iowa Acts, chapter 1018, sections 2 and 3.

15 EXPLANATION

16 This bill directs the state department of transportation's  
17 administrator of administrative services to give preference to  
18 biodiesel fuel when purchasing fuel for department motor  
19 vehicles that operate on diesel fuel.

20 The bill requires department motor vehicles operating on  
21 biodiesel fuel to be affixed with a sticker notifying the  
22 traveling public that the vehicle uses biodiesel fuel. The  
23 bill defines "biodiesel fuel", for purposes of the bill, as  
24 "soydiesel fuel" as defined in Code section 159A.2.

25 The bill also provides that the new provision shall not  
26 affect the status of a biodiesel fuel pilot project provided  
27 for by the 2000 General Assembly. The project is an ongoing  
28 biodiesel fuel pilot project that began September 1, 2000.  
29 The project is being conducted at two of the department's  
30 field garages and is to continue for as long as the department  
31 has sufficient funding for the project. The project was  
32 contingent upon an appropriation to the department for fiscal  
33 year 2000-2001 for the purchase of biodiesel fuel for the  
34 project.

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