

ACT 161

S.B. NO. 717

A Bill for an Act Relating to Ethanol.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in some states the mandated use of renewable fuels has created some economic benefit because those states are able to produce or cheaply import renewable fuels. However, despite dozens of biomass, biodiesel, and ethanol facilities that have been proposed for Hawaii, no ethanol plants currently exist in the State. Since 2006, Hawaii has required that gasoline sold in the State include ten per cent ethanol. This requirement of blending ethanol into Hawaii's gasoline does not produce any economic benefit for the State; further, the import of ethanol creates an economic burden for state residents.

The purpose of this Act is to repeal the requirement that gasoline for motor vehicles sold in the State include ten per cent ethanol.

SECTION 2. Section 486J-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.¹

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on December 31, 2015.

(Approved June 26, 2015.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.