

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

2nd Special Session

Introduced and Referred to Committee on State Administration:

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Special Session ~~HOUSE~~ JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

INTRODUCED BY FARR

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN INTERIM STUDY OF THE TAX INCENTIVE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF ALCOHOL TO BE BLENDED FOR GASOHOL AND REQUIRING A REPORT OF THE FINDINGS OF THE STUDY TO THE LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, the Alcohol Tax Incentive and Administration Act of 1983 established schedules for the tax incentive for the distilling of alcohol, derived from Montana agricultural products, to be blended for gasohol; and

WHEREAS, the schedules for the tax incentive were designed to stimulate the development of alcohol fuel production in Montana while limiting the cost to the state of the tax incentive to amounts that are reasonable in relationship to the highway revenue needs of Montana; and

WHEREAS, an enhanced tax incentive for the production of alcohol to be blended with gasoline for sale as gasohol would stimulate Montana's economy by providing opportunity for increased employment and by providing increased tax base through industrial investment; and

WHEREAS, the agricultural sector of Montana's economy would benefit from an enhanced tax incentive for the

production of alcohol to be blended with gasoline for sale as gasohol through expansion of markets for Montana grain to be purchased by industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

(1) That an appropriate interim committee be assigned to study the revision of the Alcohol Tax Incentive and Administration Act of 1983, specifically examining enhancement of the tax incentive allowed for the distillation of alcohol, derived from Montana agricultural products, to be blended for gasohol and the impact of such enhancement upon:

(a) industrial employment and agricultural production in the State of Montana; and

(b) the revenue required to satisfy the highway needs of Montana.

(2) That the committee report its findings to the 49th Legislature together with recommendations for legislation, if any, necessary to implement such findings.

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18 of the tax incentive to amounts that are reasonable in
19 relationship to the highway revenue needs of Montana; and

20 WHEREAS, an enhanced tax incentive for the production
21 of alcohol to be blended with gasoline for sale as gasohol
22 would stimulate Montana's economy by providing opportunity
23 for increased employment and by providing increased tax base
24 through industrial investment BUT AT THE SAME TIME WOULD
25 COST MONTANA TAXPAYERS A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT THROUGH TAX

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20 of Montana; AND

21 (C) THE TAXPAYER OF THIS STATE.

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23 findings to the 49th Legislature together with
24 recommendations for legislation, if any, necessary to
25 implement such findings.

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THIRD READING
on motion rules suspended
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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT
(Taxation)

That House Joint Resolution No. 2 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 20. After WHEREAS, insert: "the Legislature is interested in determining if"

Page 1, Line 22. Strike "would" and insert "may"

Page 2, line 2. After WHEREAS, insert: "the Legislature is interested in determining if"

Page 2, line 3. Strike "would" and insert "may"