# HOUSE BILL NO. 420

# INTRODUCED BY KOEHNKE, GALT, SCHYE, WESTLAKE, DEMARS

## IN THE HOUSE

JANUARY 25, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TAXATION.
JANUARY 26, 1989	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 28, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 1, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
MARCH 2, 1989	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
MARCH 3, 1989	ENGROSSING REPORT.
MARCH 4, 1989	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 80; NOES, 11.
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.
IN	THE SENATE
MARCH 6, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TAXATION.
	FIRST READING.
MARCH 31, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 1, 1989	PASS CONSIDERATION.
APRIL 3, 1989	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
APRIL 5, 1989	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 47; NOES, 2.

RETURNED TO HOUSE WITH AMENDMENTS.

## IN THE HOUSE

APRIL 10, 1989

RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS

CONCURRED IN.

APRIL 11, 1989

THIRD READING, AMENDMENTS

CONCURRED IN.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 10

11 Section 1. Section 15-70-522, MCA, is amended to read:

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distributors for distilling alcohol that:

- 17 (i) was blended with gasoline for sale as gasohol in 18 Montana; or
  - (ii) was exported from Montana and has been blended with gasoline for sale as gasohol.
- 21 (b) Payment shall be made by the department of revenue 22 out of the amount collected under 15-70-204.
- 23 (2) Except as provided in subsections (3) through (5), the tax incentive on each gallon of alcohol distilled in 24 25 accordance with subsection (1) is:

- beginning July 1, 1983, 70 cents per gallon;
- beginning April 1, 1985, 50 cents per gallon;
- beginning April 1, 1987, 30 cents per gallon; and
- beginning April 1, 1989 1993, and thereafter,
- there is no tax incentive.
  - (3) The incentive schedule provided for in subsection (2) shall be modified in response to market conditions as follows:
- 9 (a) If for any 2 consecutive calendar quarters ending 10 on or before September 30, 1984, the gallons of gasohol sold 11 or that have received the benefit of the tax incentive during those quarters comprise 8% or more but less than 11% 12 of the total gallons of nonaviation gasoline and gasohol 13 14 sold in Montana, the tax incentive for alcohol shall be 50 15 cents per gallon, effective beginning the second calendar 16 quarter after the 2 consecutive calendar quarters during which the gallons of gasohol sold or that have received the 17 benefit of the tax incentive during those quarters comprised 18 19 8% or more but less than 11% of the total gallons of 20 nonaviation gasoline and gasohol sold in Montana.
- (b) If for any 2 consecutive calendar quarters ending 21 22 on or before September 30, 1986, the gallons of gasohol sold 23 or that have received the benefit of the tax incentive 24 during those quarters comprise 11% or more but less than 18% of the total gallons of nonaviation gasoline and gasohol 25

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- (c) If for any 2 consecutive calendar quarters ending on or before September 30, 1988, the gallons of gasohol sold or that have received the benefit of the tax incentive during those quarters comprise 18% or more of the total gallons of nonaviation gasoline and gasohol sold in Montana, the tax incentive for alcohol shall be eliminated effective beginning the second calendar quarter after the 2 consecutive quarters during which the gallons of gasohol sold or that have received the benefit of the tax incentive during those quarters comprised 18% or more of the total gallons of nonaviation gasoline and gasohol sold in Montana.
- (d) Each quarter, the department shall compute the share of the total nonaviation gasoline and gasohol market that is represented by gasohol, according to the information contained in gasoline distributors' returns and the applications for payment of the alcohol production tax incentive. Alcohol that is exported from Montana and eligible for the tax incentive must be included in the

computations.

- (4) Regardless of the alcohol tax incentive provided in subsection (2) or (3), the total payments made for the incentive under this part may not exceed \$2,500,000 in any consecutive 12-month period beginning April 1, 1985.
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- NEW SECTION. Section 2. Extension of authority. Any existing authority to make rules on the subject of the provisions of [this act] is extended to the provisions of [this act].
- NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.
- 25 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Contingent retroactive

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April 1, 1989, the provisions of [this act] apply

3 retroactively, within the meaning of 1-2-109, to April 1,

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#### STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

#### Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB420, as introduced.

#### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act to extend the tax incentive for the production of alcohol that is blended or is to be blended as gasohol; providing an immediate effective date and a contingent retroactive applicability date.

#### ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. The Revenue Estimating Advisory Council's estimates of gasoline tax receipts and gasohol production provide the basis for comparison.
- 2. Net Department of Highways receipts will be \$77,709,000 in FY90 and \$76,576,000 in FY91.
- 3. Gasohol incentive payments will be \$186,000 for each year of the biennium as estimated by REAC for FY89.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

### Revenue Impact:

	FY90			FY91				
Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference			
Gasoline Tax-Dept. of								
Highways Net Receipts\$77,709,000	\$77,523,000	(\$186,000)	\$76,576,000	\$76,390,000	(\$186,000)			

# Expenditure Impact:

The department expenditures associated with this proposal would be minimal.

RAY SHACKLEFORD, BUDGET DIRECTOR

DATE

OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

FRANCIS KOEHNKE, PRIMARY SPONSOR

DATE

Fiscal Note for HB420, as introduced

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# APPROVED BY COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

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16	distributors for distilling alcohol that:
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#### SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Taxation, having had under consideration HB 420 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 420 be amended and as so amended be concurred in:

Sponsor: Koehnke (Rapp-Svrcek)

1. Page 2, line 4.
Strike: "1991"
Insert: "1993"

AND AS AMENDED BE CONCURRED IN

Signed: Bob Brown, Chairman

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