

# SENATE BILL No. 1270

May 16, 2000, Introduced by Senator ROGERS and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Tourism.

A bill to amend 1984 PA 44, entitled  
"Motor fuels quality act,"  
by amending section 3 (MCL 290.643), as amended by 1993 PA 231.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 3. (1) The director shall establish standards pursuant  
2 to this act to ensure the purity and quality of gasoline sold or  
3 offered for sale in this state.

4       (2) The director shall establish standards for the amount  
5 and type of additives allowed to be included in gasoline.

6       (3) The director shall establish standards for the grading  
7 of gasoline, including, but not limited to, leaded subregular  
8 with a minimum 87 AKI, leaded regular with a minimum 89 AKI,  
9 leaded premium with a minimum 93 AKI, unleaded subregular with a  
10 minimum 85 AKI, unleaded regular with a minimum 87 AKI and a  
11 minimum 82 MON, unleaded midgrade 88 with a minimum 88 AKI and

1 minimum 82 MON, unleaded midgrade 89 with a minimum 89 AKI and a  
2 minimum 83 MON, unleaded premium with a minimum 90 AKI, and  
3 grades for alcohol fuels. Leaded gasoline with a 94 AKI or more,  
4 and unleaded gasoline with a 91 AKI or more, may be offered for  
5 sale labeled with the minimum AKI number if the gasoline has been  
6 listed with and approved by the department. The leaded gasoline  
7 with 94 AKI or more shall be labeled as leaded premium followed  
8 by the approved AKI number, and the unleaded gasoline with 91 AKI  
9 or more shall be labeled unleaded premium followed by the  
10 approved AKI number.

11 (4) The director shall establish standards for Reid vapor  
12 pressure as specified by the American society for testing and  
13 materials, except as otherwise required to conform to federal or  
14 state law. The director shall establish the Reid vapor pressure  
15 as 9.0 pounds per square inch (psi) for retail outlets during the  
16 period beginning June 1 through September 15 of each year, except  
17 for dispensing facilities where the director shall establish the  
18 Reid vapor pressure as 7.8 psi in the year 1996 and thereafter.  
19 As used in this subsection and section 10d, "Reid vapor pressure"  
20 means the vapor pressure of gasoline or gasoline oxygenate blend  
21 as determined by ASTM test method D323, standard test method for  
22 vapor pressure of petroleum products (Reid method) or test method  
23 D4953, standard test method for vapor pressure of gasoline and  
24 gasoline oxygenate blends (dry method).

25 (5) In establishing additive and grading standards the  
26 director shall adopt the latest standards for gasoline  
27 established by the American society for testing and materials and

1 shall adopt the latest standards for gasoline established by  
2 federal law or regulation. The standards established by the  
3 director shall not prohibit a gasoline blend that is permitted by  
4 a valid waiver granted by the United States environmental protec-  
5 tion agency pursuant to the fuel or fuel additive waiver in sec-  
6 tion 211(f)(4) of part A of title II of the clean air act, chap-  
7 ter 360, 81 Stat. 502, 42 U.S.C. 7545, and the ethanol waiver of  
8 1.0 psi in section 211(h)(4) of part A of title II of the clean  
9 air act, chapter 360, 81 Stat. 502, 42 U.S.C. 7545, if the gaso-  
10 line blend meets all of the conditions set forth in the waiver.

11 BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2002, THE DIRECTOR SHALL NOT PERMIT THE USE  
12 OF THE ADDITIVE METHYL TERTIARY BUTYL ETHER (MTBE) IN THIS  
13 STATE. BY JUNE 1, 2001, THE DIRECTOR SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO  
14 THE CHAIRPERSONS OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE COMMITTEES THAT CONSIDER  
15 LEGISLATION PERTAINING TO THIS ACT THAT SHALL INCLUDE THE  
16 FOLLOWING:

17 (A) THE AMOUNT OF THE ADDITIVE METHYL TERTIARY BUTYL ETHER  
18 (MTBE) CURRENTLY IN USE IN GASOLINE IN THIS STATE.

19 (B) AN ESTIMATE OF THE AMOUNT OF MTBE THAT IS IMPORTED IN  
20 GASOLINE TRANSPORTED INTO THIS STATE FROM OTHER STATES OR  
21 COUNTRIES.

22 (C) RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO WHETHER THE JANUARY 1, 2002 PROHI-  
23 BITION CAN BE ACHIEVED.

24 (D) ANY OTHER INFORMATION CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE.

25 (6) Standards established pursuant to this section shall be  
26 by rules promulgated pursuant to the administrative procedures  
27 act of 1969, ~~Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being~~

1 ~~sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws~~ 1969  
2 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328.