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WEIGHTS & MEASURES ACT: ELIMINATE FUEL-OXYGENATE LABELING REQUIREMENT

House Bill 4790

Sponsor: Rep. Neal Nitz

Committee: Agriculture and Resource
Management

Complete to 6-5-03

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4790 AS INTRODUCED 5-28-03

The Weights and Measures Act provides that the method of sale of a commodity sold in the state shall conform to the *Uniform Regulation for the Method of Sale of Commodities*, published in the 2002 edition of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Handbook 130, except where modified by rule. Section 2.20.1 of the handbook provides that all automotive gasoline or automotive gasoline-oxygenate blends kept, offered, or exposed for sale, or sold at retailing containing at least 1.5 mass percent oxygen shall be identified as “with” or “containing” (or similar wording) the predominant oxygenate in the engine fuel, such as “contains ethanol”.

House Bill 4790 would exclude section 2.20.1 of the *Uniform Regulation for the Method of Sale of Commodities* from adoption. [Note: Although the bill is not tie-barred to House Bill 4657, which would eliminate the ethanol-labeling requirement under the Motor Fuels Quality Act, House Bill 4790 is a companion measure to House Bill 4657.]

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