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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ETHANOL.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 486J, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§486J-       Ethanol protective additive requirement. (a)

5 The director shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter 91 to  
6 require that ethanol-blended fuels sold in the State for use in  
7 motor vehicles contain chemical additives to protect engines,  
8 motors, and other motor vehicle components from damage resulting  
9 from ethanol use. The nature and amount of the protective  
10 additives required shall be in accordance with rules as the  
11 director may deem appropriate. The director may authorize the  
12 sale of gasoline that does not meet these requirements as  
13 provided in subsection (b).

14           (b) The director may authorize the sale of gasoline that  
15 does not meet the provisions of this section:

16           (1) To the extent that sufficient quantities of  
17               competitively-priced chemical additives are not



1 available to meet the minimum requirements of this  
2 section; or

3 (2) In the event of any other circumstances for which the  
4 director determines compliance with this section would  
5 cause undue hardship.

6 (e) Each distributor, at reporting dates as the director  
7 may establish, shall file with the director, on forms  
8 prescribed, prepared, and furnished by the director, a certified  
9 statement showing:

10 (1) The amount of ethanol-blended fuel sold by the  
11 distributor;

12 (2) The use of protective chemical additives in the  
13 ethanol-blended fuel in accordance with the rules of  
14 the director.

15 (4) Any other information the director shall require for  
16 the purposes of compliance with this section.

17 (f) Provisions with respect to confidentiality of  
18 information shall be the same as provided in section 486J-6.

19 (g) Any distributor or any other person violating the  
20 requirements of this section shall be subject to a fine of not  
21 less than \$2 per gallon of nonconforming fuel, up to a maximum  
22 of \$10,000 per infraction.





**Report Title:**

Ethanol Additive Requirement

**Description:**

Requires the director of business, economic development, and tourism to adopt rules that require ethanol-blended fuels sold in the State contain chemical additives to protect from ethanol-related damage to engines, motors, and other components of motor vehicles.

