

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging the Environmental Protection Agency to update the Clean Air Act to allow mid-range ethanol blends in all standard automobiles.

WHEREAS, corn ethanol, free of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulatory barriers, could triple in demand and immediately begin to revitalize rural America; and

WHEREAS, with increased oxygen in mid-range blends of ethanol, including premium E-30, toxic benzene is nearly neutralized through dilution and more complete combustion, reducing all toxic emissions fifty to eighty percent compared to regular unleaded gasoline; and

WHEREAS, premium E-30 is less expensive, delivers more power, results in cleaner engines, lowers maintenance costs, and delivers the same gas mileage, while supporting the South Dakota and United States economies, protecting the environment, and improving public health; and

WHEREAS, the Glacial Lakes Energy's E-30 Challenge Study confirms these facts, as well as that E-30 is ethanol blends' optimum mixture; and

WHEREAS, farmers and ethanol producers are the backbone of many rural economies in South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota has an opportunity to be a regional leader in the promotion of our homegrown premium fuel:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninety-Third Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the Legislature urges the Environmental Protection Agency to update the Clean Air Act to allow mid-range ethanol blends in all standard automobiles.

Adopted by the Senate,  
Concurred in by the House of Representatives,

February 2, 2018  
February 22, 2018

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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