## DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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## Representative Freese:

The attached draft would prohibit automotive gasoline from containing any more than trace amounts of MTBE, beginning on July 1, 2005. Like 2003 AB–33 (requiring ethanol in automotive gasoline), the draft uses the Department of Commerce's current regulatory structure for petroleum products. As a result, this draft would not prohibit a manufacturer or refiner from manufacturing or blending gasoline that contains MTBE. However, the draft would prohibit a person in this state from obtaining such gasoline from the manufacturer or refiner and using or selling it.

Please let me know if you have any questions or desire any changes to the draft.

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