DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Matt Pagel:

This is a preliminary draft of the proposal for renewable fuel standards. Please review it carefully. In particular, please consider carefully the proposed penalties because I did not have much guidance about them.

The definition of biodiesel is from s. 168.14 (2m) (a) of the statutes.

The draft authorizes DATCP to suspend the program temporarily. Because the standards are applied on a calendar year basis, a suspension would probably have to be for a year. Perhaps the draft should specify that. Another possibility would be to allow DATCP to lower the required percentage for a year if supplies are short.

Do you want to provide DATCP with any staffing or funding for this proposal?

Please let me know if you have any questions and please contact me with redraft instructions.

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