

SENATE FILE NO. SF0123

Motor vehicle fuels pricing-study.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Mockler and Decaria

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to trade and commerce; providing for a
2 study by the attorney general of pricing of motor vehicle
3 fuels; providing for assistance by other state agencies;
4 providing for a report; and providing for an effective
5 date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.**

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11 (a) The attorney general shall study the pricing of
12 gasoline and other motor vehicle fuels within the state of
13 Wyoming at both the wholesale and retail levels. The study
14 shall include:

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16 (i) An analysis of current pricing of those
17 fuels and historical pricing within the past five (5)

1 years, statewide and by regions within Wyoming, to include
2 five (5) geographic regions, being the northeast,
3 northwest, southeast, southwest and central with the exact
4 division established by the attorney general as he
5 determines best for purposes of the study;

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7 (ii) A comparison for the same period of overall
8 motor vehicle fuel prices at the retail and wholesale
9 levels in Wyoming, with each state bordering Wyoming, and
10 with the entire United States;

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12 (iii) An analysis of how wholesale and retail
13 motor vehicle fuel prices are set in Wyoming and whether
14 the results of the study give any indication of unlawful,
15 unjust, collusive or predatory price manipulation in
16 Wyoming; and

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18 (iv) An analysis of current Wyoming law
19 providing for restrictions or prohibitions on unlawful,
20 unjust, collusive or predatory manipulation of motor
21 vehicle fuel prices.

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23 (b) All state agencies, including the University of
24 Wyoming, shall cooperate with and assist the attorney

1 general as requested in performing the duties required
2 under this act.

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4 (c) The attorney general shall report the results of
5 the study to the joint judiciary interim committee by
6 November 1, 2007. The report shall include any
7 recommendations for statutory changes to prohibit or
8 restrict unjust, collusive or predatory manipulation of
9 motor vehicle fuel prices and to authorize investigations
10 and actions by the attorney general or other law
11 enforcement officials to enforce those prohibitions or
12 restrictions.

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14 (d) The joint judiciary interim committee shall
15 review the report and may sponsor legislation to implement
16 any recommendations or other legislation it deems
17 beneficial to ensure that Wyoming citizens are assured fair
18 pricing of motor vehicle fuels in the state.

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1 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
4 Constitution.

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