

SENATE BILL NO. 177—SENATOR TITUS

FEBRUARY 15, 2001

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Removes low-sulfur diesel fuel from types of fuel that can be used as alternative fuel for certain fleets of motor vehicles. (BDR 43-939)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to fuels; removing low-sulfur diesel fuel from the types of fuel that can be used as an alternative fuel for certain fleets of motor vehicles; requiring the state environmental commission to review and amend certain regulations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     **Section 1.** NRS 486A.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2     486A.010 The legislature finds that:

3     1. Protection of the state's environment, particularly the quality of its  
4     air, requires a reduction, especially in metropolitan areas, of the  
5     contaminants resulting from the combustion of conventional fuels in motor  
6     vehicles.

7     2. A very large proportion of these contaminants results from the  
8     burning of liquid and gaseous fuels to operate trucks and buses, many of  
9     which are operated in fleets. Each fuel can be evaluated as to the air  
10    pollution it causes when burned in motor vehicles.

11    3. Conversion of these fleets to use cleaner-burning alternative fuels  
12    can reduce contaminants sufficiently to permit the continued use of  
13    conventional fuels in individually owned motor vehicles . ~~but such~~  
14    ~~conversion is feasible only if sufficient financial assistance is provided to~~  
15    ~~the owners of fleets.~~

16    **Sec. 2.** NRS 486A.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17    486A.030 "Alternative fuel" means any fuel which complies with the  
18    standards and requirements established by the commission. The term  
19    includes ~~low-sulfur diesel fuel and~~ reformulated gasoline which ~~comply~~  
20    *complies* with the regulations adopted by the United States Environmental  
21    Protection Agency pursuant to the standards for the control of emissions  
22    from motor vehicles established in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990



1 ~~[(Pub. L. No. 101-549, Nov. 15, 1990).]~~ *Public Law 101-549, November*  
2 *15, 1990.*  
3 **Sec. 3.** As soon as practicable, the state environmental commission  
4 shall review its regulations set forth in chapter 486A of NAC and shall,  
5 pursuant to its authority to adopt regulations set forth in NRS 445B.210  
6 and 486A.150:  
7 1. Revise the definition of "alternative fuel" in a manner consistent  
8 with the amendatory provisions of section 2 of this act; and  
9 2. Revise its schedule for the conversion of fleets to use alternative  
10 fuels, if the commission determines that the revision is necessary as a result  
11 of the amendatory provisions of section 2 of this act.  
12 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.

