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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5682**

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**By** Senate Committee on Energy & Utilities (originally sponsored by Senators Thorsness, Sutherland, Barr, Williams and Saling).

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1 AN ACT Relating to the study of ethanol for supplemental energy  
2 production; and adding a new section to chapter 43.21F RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.21F RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The office shall act as the state clearinghouse for information  
7 regarding the production and use of ethanol and other synthetic fuels  
8 within the state, and shall:

9 (a) Collect and disseminate information regarding the production  
10 and use of ethanol and other synthetic fuels;

11 (b) Monitor the results of pilot programs nation-wide on the use of  
12 ethanol and other synthetic fuels as automotive fuels;

13 (c) Advise, consult, and cooperate with other agencies of the  
14 state, the federal government, other states and interstate agencies,

1 political subdivisions, and with groups concerned with use of ethanol  
2 and other synthetic fuels;

3 (d) Consult regularly with the state department of agriculture on  
4 the feasibility, quantity, and quality of production of organic  
5 feedstocks used in producing ethanol, and methods of encouraging or  
6 facilitating such production; and

7 (e) Assist in planning, implementing, and evaluating pilot projects  
8 for the use of ethanol within the state.

9 (2) The office shall, in its biennial report to the governor and  
10 legislature required under RCW 43.21F.045, include summaries of the  
11 status of, and any recommendations as to the increased production and  
12 use of, ethanol and synthetic fuels in the state, including the need  
13 for any separate entity to develop additional information, coordinate  
14 programs, or assist in the production of such fuels.