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By Senators Fraser, Poulsen, Pridemore, Regala, Rockefeller, Kohl-Welles, Kline and Keiser

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1 AN ACT Relating to biodiesel mandates for state agencies and  
2 contractors; amending RCW 43.19.642; adding a new section to chapter  
3 43.19 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 39.04 RCW; and creating a  
4 new section.

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

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.19.642 and 2003 c 17 s 2 are each amended to read  
7 as follows:

8 (1) Until the biodiesel mandate contained in subsection (4) of this  
9 section takes effect, all state agencies are encouraged to use a fuel  
10 blend of twenty percent biodiesel and eighty percent petroleum diesel  
11 for use in diesel-powered vehicles, vessels, and equipment.

12 (2) Effective June 1, 2006, for agencies complying with the ultra-  
13 low sulfur diesel mandate of the United States environmental protection  
14 agency for on-highway diesel fuel, agencies shall use biodiesel as an  
15 additive to ultra-low sulfur diesel for lubricity, provided that the  
16 use of a lubricity additive is warranted and that the use of biodiesel  
17 is comparable in performance and cost with other available lubricity  
18 additives. The amount of biodiesel added to the ultra-low sulfur  
19 diesel fuel shall be not less than two percent.

1       (3) Effective June 1, 2009, all state agencies are required to use  
2 a minimum of twenty percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of  
3 all diesel purchases made by the agency for the operation of the  
4 agency's diesel-powered vehicles, vessels, and equipment.

5       (4) Effective June 1, 2020, all state agencies are required to use  
6 a minimum of thirty percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of  
7 all diesel purchases made by the agency for the operation of the  
8 agency's diesel-powered vehicles, vessels, and equipment.

9       NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW  
10 to read as follows:

11       The department of general administration must assist state agencies  
12 seeking to meet the biodiesel fuel mandates in RCW 43.19.642 by  
13 coordinating the purchase and delivery of biodiesel if requested by any  
14 state agency. The department may use long-term contracts of up to ten  
15 years to secure a sufficient and stable supply of biodiesel for use by  
16 state agencies.

17       NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The department of general administration  
18 shall, in consultation with the department of community, trade, and  
19 economic development's energy policy division, produce an inventory of  
20 large, centralized power plants at state facilities. The inventory  
21 shall describe the age of the plant, the quantity and types of fuels  
22 used, and power output for each of the four fiscal years 2001 through  
23 2005. For each power plant that can use or be converted to use  
24 biodiesel, the department shall estimate the capital and operating cost  
25 and/or savings from replacing a portion of existing fuels with  
26 biodiesel. State institutions of higher education shall cooperate with  
27 the department in producing the inventory. The department shall report  
28 its findings to the appropriate committees of the legislature by  
29 December 1, 2006.

30       NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 39.04 RCW  
31 to read as follows:

32       (1) Effective June 1, 2009, all state public works contracts in  
33 excess of ten million dollars shall require the winning bidder of the  
34 contract to verify that the contractor and subcontractors will use an

1 average of twenty percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of all  
2 diesel consumed in vehicles, vessels, and equipment, used in the  
3 performance of the contract.

4 (2) Effective June 1, 2020, all state public works contracts in  
5 excess of ten million dollars shall require the winning bidder of the  
6 contract to verify that the contractor and subcontractors will use an  
7 average of thirty percent biodiesel as compared to total volume of all  
8 diesel consumed in vehicles, vessels, and equipment, used in the  
9 performance of the contract.

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