Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2245

Introduced by

Senators G. Lee, Klein, Sinner

Representatives Belter, Ruby, Vigesaa

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for gasoline marketing practices.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 3 **SECTION 1**.
- 4 **Gasoline marketing practices.**
- A supplier or terminal operator may not inhibit a gasoline distributor in removing gasoline of
- 6 any octane from a refinery or terminal rack which inhibits a gasoline distributor from being a
- 7 blender. Regardless of other products offered, a supplier, through a marketing agreement that
- 8 supplies gasoline from a terminal in this state to a gasoline distributor, shall offer to supply the
- 9 distributor with gasoline that has not been blended with, but is suitable for blending with, fuel
- 10 alcohol. A supplier may not prevent or inhibit a gasoline distributor in this state from being a
- 11 <u>blender or from qualifying for any federal or state tax credit offered to blenders. As used in this</u>
- 12 section:
- 13 <u>1. "Rack" means a mechanism for delivering motor fuel from a refinery, a terminal, or a</u>
- bulk plant, into a transport truck, a railroad car, or other means of transfer for further
- 15 distribution.
- 16 <u>2.</u> "Terminal" means a motor fuel storage and distribution facility that has been assigned
- a terminal control number by the internal revenue service, is supplied by pipeline or
- marine vessel, and from which motor fuel or other petroleum products may be
- 19 <u>removed at a rack.</u>
- 20 <u>3.</u> "Terminal operator" means a person who owns, operates, or otherwise controls a
- 21 terminal.