



A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa Call to Action

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RE: HF859 – Renewable Fuel Mandate

A.B.A.T.E. of Iowa members, urgent action needed!

We are opposing HF859. It would provide a mandate for renewable fuel at the pump, eliminate E0 (except as 91 octane “special” fuel) and limit E0 pumps.

Mandate = higher prices at the pump, less consumer choice, less access to fuel, and small business closures (particularly across rural Iowa).

Supporters of this bill are contacting legislators who, in their words, “continue to cling to a stubborn “anti-mandate” stance”, asking them to vote yes when this bill comes to a floor vote.

ABATE of Iowa is asking for immediate help in the form of phone calls to Iowa House Representatives from our members. Ask that they vote against HF859.

We have advocated addressing the concern of invalidated warranties by consumers using fuel with higher blends of ethanol in motorcycles, older vehicles, and other small engines. We have asked for labeling provisions at the pumps, including a specific warning on blender pumps regarding residual gasoline in the hose. This bill would provide almost no labeling, relying on consumers to know the risks of improper fueling through self-education. The label "restricted use gasoline" will discourage use by consumers who are unfamiliar with manufacturer warnings. While we were heard on Lobby Day, that was months ago. Our voices need to be heard this week as this session is coming to a close.

Included below are the links to the text of the bill and how to find your State Representative. If you have any questions, please reach out to me via phone or text at 515-890-2991.

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