

AN ACT concerning State government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Alternate Fuels Act is amended by adding
Section 23 as follows:

(415 ILCS 120/23 new)

Sec. 23. Alternate Fuels Commission.

(a) The Alternate Fuels Commission is established within the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. The Commission shall investigate and recommend strategies that the Governor and the General Assembly may implement to promote the use of alternate fuels and biodiesel fuels and to encourage the use of vehicles that utilize alternate fuels and biodiesel fuels. The Commission shall also identify mechanisms that promote research into alternate fuels and biodiesel fuels.

(b) The Commission shall identify mechanisms that promote effective communication and coordination of efforts between this State and local governments, private industry, and institutes of higher education concerning the investigation, research into, and promotion of alternate fuels and biodiesel fuels.

(c) The Commission may also review and recommend changes to any State regulation that may hinder the use, research, and

development of alternate fuels, biodiesel fuels, and vehicles that are able to utilize those fuels.

(d) The Commission shall consist of the following members, appointed by the Governor within 90 days of the effective date of this Act:

(1) The Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (or his or her designee), who shall serve as the chair of the Commission.

(2) The Director of Agriculture (or his or her designee).

(3) At least one member from an association representing corn growers.

(4) At least one member from an association representing soybean producers.

(5) One representative of a general agricultural production association.

(6) One representative of automotive fuel blenders in this State.

(7) One representative of retail petroleum sellers in this State.

(8) One representative of petroleum suppliers in this State.

(9) One representative of biodiesel fuel producers.

(10) One representative of ethanol producers.

(11) One representative of environmental organizations.

(12) Three representatives of the automotive manufacturing industry.

(13) Three representatives of colleges and universities in this State that are engaged in alternate fuel or biodiesel fuel research.

(14) Any other member that the Governor concludes is necessary to further the Commission's purposes.

(e) No later than one year after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly, the Commission shall issue a written report on its investigation and recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor. Follow-up reports shall be issued at least annually and may be issued more frequently if the Commission deems it advisable.

(f) This Section is repealed effective January 1, 2012.

(415 ILCS 120/21 rep.)

Section 10. The Alternate Fuels Act is amended by repealing Section 21.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.