

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004 SB2318

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 689/5

Amends the Renewable Fuels Development Program Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the findings of the General Assembly.

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1 AN ACT concerning renewable fuels.

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

- 4 Section 5. The Illinois Renewable Fuels Development
- 5 Program Act is amended by changing Section 5 as follows:
- 6 (20 ILCS 689/5)
- 7 Sec. 5. Findings and State policy. The General Assembly recognizes that agriculture is a vital sector of the Illinois 8 9 economy and that an important growth industry for the Illinois agricultural sector is renewable fuels production. Renewable 10 fuels produced from Illinois agricultural products hold great 11 12 potential for growing the State's economy, reducing our dependence on foreign oil supplies, 13 and improving the 14 environment by reducing harmful emissions from vehicles. 15 Illinois is the nation's leading producer of ethanol, a clean, renewable fuel with significant environmental benefits. The 16 17 General Assembly finds that reliable supplies of renewable 18 fuels will be integral to the long term energy security of the 19 United States. The General Assembly declares that it is the 20 public policy of this the State of Illinois to promote and encourage the production and use of renewable fuels as a means 21 22 not only to improve air quality in the State and the nation, 23 but also to grow the agricultural sector of the Illinois economy. To achieve these public policy objectives, the General 24 25 Assembly hereby authorizes the creation and implementation of 26 the Illinois Renewable Fuels Development Program within the 27 Department.
- 28 (Source: P.A. 93-15, eff. 6-11-03.)