

# State of South Dakota

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## HOUSE TRANSPORTATION ENGROSSED NO. **SCR 12** - 2/20/2018

Introduced by: Senators Frerichs, Cronin, Langer, Novstrup, Tapio, and Wiik and  
Representatives Bartling, Chase, Dennert, and Lesmeister

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging the Environmental Protection Agency to update the  
2 Clean Air Act to allow mid-range ethanol blends in all standard automobiles.

3 WHEREAS, corn ethanol, free of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulatory  
4 barriers, could triple in demand and immediately begin to revitalize rural America; and

5 WHEREAS, with increased oxygen in mid-range blends of ethanol, including premium  
6 E-30, toxic benzene is nearly neutralized through dilution and more complete combustion,  
7 reducing all toxic emissions fifty to eighty percent compared to regular unleaded gasoline; and

8 WHEREAS, premium E-30 is less expensive, delivers more power, results in cleaner  
9 engines, lowers maintenance costs, and delivers the same gas mileage, while supporting the  
10 South Dakota and United States economies, protecting the environment, and improving public  
11 health; and

12 WHEREAS, the Glacial Lakes Energy's E-30 Challenge Study confirms these facts, as well  
13 as that E-30 is ethanol blends' optimum mixture; and

14 WHEREAS, farmers and ethanol producers are the backbone of many rural economies in



1 South Dakota; and

2 WHEREAS, South Dakota has an opportunity to be a regional leader in the promotion of  
3 our homegrown premium fuel:

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninety-Third Legislature  
5 of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the  
6 Legislature urges the Environmental Protection Agency to update the Clean Air Act to allow  
7 mid-range ethanol blends in all standard automobiles.