

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **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~~ The General Assembly
8 recognizes that agriculture is a vital sector of the Illinois
9 economy and that an important growth industry for the Illinois
10 agricultural sector is renewable fuels production. Renewable
11 fuels produced from Illinois agricultural products hold great
12 potential for growing the State's economy, reducing our
13 dependence on foreign oil supplies, and improving the
14 environment by reducing harmful emissions from vehicles.
15 Illinois is the nation's leading producer of ethanol, a clean,
16 renewable fuel with significant environmental benefits. The
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 the State of Illinois to promote and encourage
21 the production and use of renewable fuels as a means not only
22 to improve air quality in the State and the nation, but also to
23 grow the agricultural sector of the Illinois economy. To

1 achieve these public policy objectives, the General Assembly
2 hereby authorizes the creation and implementation of the
3 Illinois Renewable Fuels Development Program within the
4 Department.

5 (Source: P.A. 93-15, eff. 6-11-03.)