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for

An Act to amend the *Liquid Fuel Supply Act 1984* to introduce a mandate for biofuels including ethanol and biodiesel, and for other particular purposes

	ine F	Parliament of Queensland enacts—	1
Clause	1	Short title This Act may be cited as the Liquid Fuel Supply (Ethanol and Other Biofuels Mandate) Amendment Act 2015.	2 3 4
		Other Biofuets Manadie J Amenament Act 2013.	4
Clause	2	Commencement	5
		This Act commences on a day to be fixed by proclamation.	6
Clause	3	Act amended	7
		This Act amends the Liquid Fuel Supply Act 1984.	8
Clause	4	Amendment of s 5 (Interpretation)	9
		(1) Section 5, heading—	10
		omit, insert—	11
		5 Definitions	12
		(2) Section 5—	13
		insert—	14
		approved form means a form approved under section 56A.	15 16
		biobased diesel means—	17
		(a) biodiesel; or	18
		(b) other fuel for diesel engines produced from—	19 20
		(i) plant oils or animal oils; or	21
		(ii) biomass; or	22
		(iii) waste.	23

biobased petrol means—	1
(a) ethanol; or	2
(b) other fuel for petrol engines produced from—	d 3 4
(i) plant oils or animal oils; or	5
(ii) biomass; or	6
(iii) waste.	7
biodiesel has the meaning given under the Fue Quality Standards Act 2000 (Cwlth).	l 8 9
calendar quarter means a period of 3 calendar months starting on 1 January, 1 April, 1 July or 1 October of a year.	
diesel means fuel for diesel engines produced from petroleum.	d 13 14
diesel-biobased diesel blend means a blend o diesel and biobased diesel.	f 15
fuel facility means a place from which a fue seller supplies petrol or diesel sold by the fue seller.	
Example for a fuel retailer—	20
a service station	21
Examples for a fuel wholesaler—	22
a depot, refinery or terminal	23
fuel retailer means a person who sells petrol of diesel to the public other than for resale by members of the public.	
<i>fuel seller</i> means a fuel retailer or fue wholesaler.	1 27 28
fuel wholesaler means a person who sells petro or diesel to fuel retailers for resale by the fue retailers, whether or not the person also sells petrol or diesel to another person for the person's own use.	1 30 s 31

<i>petrol</i> does not include aviation fuel or liquid petroleum gas.	1 2
petrol-biobased petrol blend means a blend of petrol and biobased petrol.	3 4
premium petrol means petrol that complies with the fuel standard for premium unleaded petrol under the Fuel Quality Standards Act 2000 (Cwlth).	5 6 7 8
<i>premium petrol-biobased petrol blend</i> means a blend of premium petrol and biobased petrol.	9 10
registration information, for a fuel seller, means—	11 12
(a) the fuel seller's name, business address, phone number, and email address (if any); and	13 14 15
(b) the address of each of the fuel seller's fuel facilities; and	16 17
(c) the type of fuel supplied from each of the fuel seller's fuel facilities.	18 19
<i>regular petrol</i> means petrol that is not premium petrol.	20 21
regular petrol-biobased petrol blend means a blend of regular petrol and biobased petrol.	22 23
service station means a place where petrol or diesel is sold to the public, whether or not the place is used for another purpose, including, for example, for selling other products.	24 25 26 27
stakeholder means an entity with expertise or an interest in biobased diesel or biobased petrol, including, for example—	28 29 30
(a) a government agency of Queensland, another State or the Commonwealth; and	31 32
(b) an entity involved in, or representing, the biofuel industry, feedstock industry, fuel	33 34

	industry, motor vehicle industry, consumers of feedstock or motor vehicle users.	1 2
	sustainable biobased diesel means biobased diesel that complies with the sustainability criteria for biobased diesel prescribed by regulation.	3 4 5 6
	sustainable biobased petrol means biobased petrol that complies with the sustainability criteria for biobased petrol prescribed by regulation.	7 8 9 10
	sustainable biofuel means—	11
	(a) sustainable biobased diesel; or	12
	(b) sustainable biobased petrol.	13
	sustainable biofuel blend means—	14
	(a) a diesel-biobased diesel blend containing sustainable biobased diesel; or	15 16
	(b) a petrol-biobased petrol blend containing sustainable biobased petrol.	17 18
	sustainable biofuel requirement means a requirement under section 35B or 35C.	19 20
(3)	Section 5, 'In this Act—'—	21
	omit, insert—	22
	The dictionary in schedule 1 defines particular words used in this Act.	23 24
(4)	Section 5, all definitions—	25
	relocate to schedule 1, as inserted by this Act.	26
Am	nendment of s 26 (Application for permit)	27
Sec	etion 26(1), 'prescribed'—	28
om	it, insert—	29
	approved	30

Clause 5

Clause 6	Part 5A—			1 2
		Sustainable biofuel in petrol or diesel	3 4 5	
	Divisio	on 1	Sale of sustainable biofuel	6
	Subdi	vision 1	Application of div 1	7
	35A Ap	plication o	of div 1	8
	(1)	petrol-biol sale of di	ion applies to the sale of petrol or a based petrol blend (<i>petrol fuel</i>), and the esel or a diesel-biobased diesel blend <i>el</i>), by a fuel seller—	9 10 11 12
		(a) to a p	erson in Queensland; or	13
		. ,	elivery in Queensland, whether or not ale is made in Queensland.	14 15
	(2)	However, of—	this division does not apply to the sale	16 17
			l fuel or diesel fuel by a fuel wholesaler other fuel wholesaler; or	18 19
		(b) diese	l fuel by a fuel retailer.	20
	(3)		division applies to the sale of petrol uel retailer only if the fuel retailer—	21 22
			or operates 10 or more service ens; or	23 24
		petro the s	more than the threshold amount of l fuel in a calendar quarter at any 1 of service stations that the fuel retailer or operates.	25 26 27 28

(4)	For subsection (1)(b), a sale of petrol fuel or diesel fuel is for delivery in Queensland if the terms of the sale—	1 2 3
	(a) require a party to the sale to deliver, or arrange delivery of, the petrol fuel or diesel fuel into or within Queensland; or	4 5 6
	(b) provide for delivery of the petrol fuel or diesel fuel into or within Queensland.	7 8
(5)	In this section—	9
	threshold amount means—	10
	(a) the amount prescribed by regulation; or	11
	(b) if an amount is not prescribed—250,000L.	12
	requirements for fuel sellers	14 15
35B Su	stainable biobased petrol requirement	16
(1)	This section applies to the sale of sustainable biobased petrol in—	17 18
	(a) a regular petrol-biobased petrol blend; or	19
	(b) a premium petrol-biobased petrol blend.	20
(2)	A fuel seller must sell at least the minimum amount of sustainable biobased petrol in each calendar quarter.	21 22 23
	Maximum penalty—	24
	(a) for a first offence—200 penalty units; or	25
	(b) for a second or later offence—2000 penalty units.	26 27
(3)	In this section—	28
	minimum amount means—	20

	(a) if the fuel seller is a fuel wholesaler—the volume of regular petrol and regular petrol-biobased petrol blend that the fuel seller sells in the calendar quarter, multiplied by the wholesale percentage; or	1 2 3 4 5
	(b) if this section applies to the fuel seller under section 35A(3)(b)—the volume of regular petrol and regular petrol-biobased petrol blend that the fuel seller sells in the calendar quarter at the service stations for which section 35A(3)(b) is satisfied, multiplied by the retail percentage; or	6 7 8 9 10 11 12
	(c) otherwise—the volume of regular petrol and regular petrol-biobased petrol blend that the fuel seller sells in the calendar quarter, multiplied by the retail percentage.	13 14 15 16
	retail percentage means—	17
	(a) the percentage prescribed by regulation for this definition; or	18 19
	(b) if a percentage is not prescribed—2%.	20
	wholesale percentage means the percentage prescribed by regulation for this definition.	21 22
35C Su	stainable biobased diesel requirement	23
(1)	This section applies to the sale of sustainable biobased diesel in a diesel-biobased diesel blend.	24 25
(2)	A fuel seller must sell at least the minimum amount of sustainable biobased diesel in each calendar quarter.	26 27 28
	Maximum penalty—	29
	(a) for a first offence—200 penalty units; or	30
	(b) for a second or later offence—2000 penalty units.	31 32
(3)	In this section—	33

	<i>minimum amount</i> means the volume of diesel and diesel-biobased diesel blend that the fuel seller sells in the calendar quarter, multiplied by—	1 2 3 4
	(a) the percentage prescribed by regulation; or	5
	(b) if a percentage is not prescribed—0.5%.	6
35D De	efence for sustainable biofuel requirement	7
(1)	In a proceeding for an offence against section 35B or 35C, it is a defence for the person charged with the offence to prove that the person took all reasonable steps to prevent the offence.	8 9 10 11
(2)	When deciding whether the person took all reasonable steps to prevent the offence, the court may consider the following—	12 13 14
	(a) efforts the person made to secure enough supply of a sustainable biofuel blend;	15 16
	(b) efforts the person made to promote the sale of a sustainable biofuel blend;	17 18
	(c) any upgrade of infrastructure the person arranged to enable enough sales of a sustainable biofuel blend;	
	(d) facilities the person made available for the sale of a sustainable biofuel blend.	22 23
Subdi	vision 3 Returns and record keeping	24 25
35E Qu	uarterly returns	26
(1)	A fuel seller must give a return, in the approved form, to the chief executive within 1 month after the end of each calendar quarter, unless the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	

	Max	kimur	n penalty—100 penalty units.	1
(2)			n must state the volume of the following uel seller sold in the calendar quarter—	2 3
	(a)	petro	ol and petrol-biobased petrol blend;	4
	(b)	regu	ılar petrol;	5
	(c)	regu	lar petrol-biobased petrol blend;	6
	(d)	pren	nium petrol-biobased petrol blend;	7
	(e)		ainable biobased petrol sold in ol-biobased petrol blend;	8 9
	(f)	for a	a fuel wholesaler—	10
		(i)	diesel and diesel-biobased diesel blend; and	11 12
		(ii)	diesel-biobased diesel blend; and	13
		(iii)	sustainable biobased diesel sold in diesel-biobased diesel blend.	14 15
35F Re	cord	keep	ping	16
(1)	petr	ol-bio	etion applies to a sale of petrol, a obased petrol blend, diesel or a obased diesel blend.	17 18 19
(2)	at l qua	east i	eller must keep a record of each sale for 2 years after the end of the calender n which the sale happened, unless the r has a reasonable excuse.	20 21 22 23
	Exan	nples c	of a record—	24
	ar	invoi	ce or receipt	25
	Max	cimur	n penalty—100 penalty units	26

Subdi	vision 4	Exemption from sustainable biofuel requirement	1 2 3
35G Gr	anting exen	mption	4
(1)	in the appro	er may, on application by a fuel seller oved form, exempt the fuel seller from with a sustainable biofuel requirement period if the Minister is satisfied—	5 6 7 8
	sustair blend becaus	fuel seller can not get enough hable biofuel or sustainable biofuel to comply with the requirement se of a shortage in the supply of the el or blend; or	9 10 11 12 13
		ying with the requirement would en the viability of the fuel seller's ess; or	14 15 16
		are other extraordinary circumstances ring the grant of the exemption.	17 18
(2)		ster may do the following before e exemption—	19 20
	(a) consul	It with stakeholders;	21
	(b) arrang audite	ge for the fuel seller's business to be d;	22 23
	` '	e fuel seller to give further information nt to the application.	24 25
(3)	(2)(c) with	seller does not comply with subsection in 14 days after being asked for the ormation, the application is taken to withdrawn.	26 27 28 29
(4)	The Minist conditions.	er may grant an exemption on stated	30 31
(5)		niting subsection (4), a condition may fuel seller to sell a stated amount of	32 33

	less	ainable biofuel, in a calendar quarter, that is than the amount required under the ainable biofuel requirement.	1 2 3
35H Co	mply	ing with conditions of exemption	4
		who is granted an exemption must comply conditions of the exemption.	5 6
Max	kimur	m penalty—200 penalty units.	7
35I Car	ncelli	ing exemption	8
(1)	selle	Minister may, by written notice to a fuel er, cancel an exemption if the Minister is sfied—	9 10 11
	(a)	the reasons for the grant of the exemption no longer apply; or	12 13
	(b)	the fuel seller has contravened a condition of the exemption.	14 15
(2)		vever, the Minister must do the following ore giving the notice—	1 <i>6</i> 1 <i>7</i>
	(a)	give the fuel seller an opportunity to make written submissions about the proposed cancellation;	18 19 20
	(b)	consider any written submissions the fuel seller makes.	21 22
(3)		o, the Minister may do the following before celling the exemption—	23 24
	(a)	consult with stakeholders;	25
	(b)	arrange for the fuel seller's business to be audited.	26 27
(4)	an e	Minister must ensure that the cancellation of exemption takes effect from the end of a ndar quarter	28 29

Subdi	vision 5	Suspension of sustainable biofuel requirement	1 2
35J Su	spending	sustainable biofuel requirement	3
(1)	This secti	on applies if the Minister is satisfied—	4
	not	uel sellers, or a class of fuel sellers, can comply with a sustainable biofuel irement because there is—	5 6 7
	(i)	an industry-wide shortage in the supply of sustainable biofuel or a sustainable biofuel blend; or	8 9 10
	(ii)	not enough demand for sustainable biofuel or a sustainable biofuel blend; or	11 12 13
	susta	upply of sustainable biofuel or a ainable biofuel blend poses a risk to ic health or safety; or	14 15 16
	fuel biofi an	requiring all fuel sellers, or a class of sellers, to comply with a sustainable uel requirement is having, or may have, adverse impact on Queensland's nomy; or	17 18 19 20 21
	that	e are other extraordinary circumstances justify suspending the operation of ton 35B or 35C.	22 23 24
	Example of e.	xtraordinary circumstances for paragraph (d)—	25
	supply of	ellers, or a class of fuel sellers, can not get a a sustainable biofuel blend because of road esulting from a natural disaster	26 27 28
(2)	operation sellers, or	ister may, by declaration, suspend the of section 35B or 35C for all fuel a stated class of fuel sellers, for a stated not more than 1 year.	29 30 31 32
(3)		nister may consult with stakeholders aking the declaration.	33 34

(4)	The Minister may, in the same declaration, also suspend the operation of all or stated provisions of this part, other than this subdivision.	1 2 3
(5)	A declaration under this section is subordinate legislation.	4 5
35K Ca	incelling suspension	6
(1)	The Minister may, by declaration, cancel a suspension if the Minister is satisfied the suspension is no longer necessary.	7 8 9
(2)	The Minister may consult with stakeholders before cancelling a suspension.	10 11
(3)	A declaration under this section is subordinate legislation.	12 13
Divisi	on 2 Register of fuel sellers	14
35L Es	tablishing register	15
(1)	The chief executive must establish a register of fuel sellers.	16 17
(2)	The chief executive may keep the register in the form the chief executive considers appropriate, including, for example, in electronic form.	18 19 20
(3)	The chief executive must record the following information in the register—	21 22
	(a) a fuel seller's registration information;	23
	(b) changes to a fuel seller's registration information;	24 25
	<i>,</i>	

35M Gi	ving registration information	1
info exe	fuel seller must give the fuel seller's registration ormation, in the approved form, to the chief ocutive within 1 month after becoming a fuel seller, ess the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	2 3 4 5
Ma	ximum penalty—100 penalty units.	6
35N No	tifying changes	7
(1)	A fuel seller must notify the chief executive of any change to the fuel seller's registration information within 1 month after the change happens, unless the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	8 9 10 11 12
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.	13
(2)	If a person stops being a fuel seller, the person must notify the chief executive of that fact within 1 month after the person stops being a fuel seller, unless the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	14 15 16 17
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.	18
350 Ob	otaining complete and clear information	19
(1)	This section applies if—	20
	(a) a fuel seller gives registration information or other information to the chief executive under this division; and	21 22 23
	(b) the chief executive considers the information is not complete or clear.	24 25
(2)	The chief executive may, by written notice, require the fuel seller to give stated information to the chief executive within a stated reasonable period of not less than 14 days.	26 27 28 29
(3)	The fuel seller must comply with the notice unless the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	30 31
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.	32

Divisio	on 3 Other provisions	1
35P Rep	porting fuel sold	2
(1)	A fuel seller must give a report, in the approved form, to the chief executive before 31 July each year, unless the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	3 4 5 6
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.	7
(2)	The report must state the volume of petrol, petrol-biobased petrol blend, diesel, and diesel-biobased diesel blend, that the fuel seller supplied from each of the fuel seller's fuel facilities—	8 9 10 11 12
	(a) in the last financial year; and	13
	(b) in each calendar quarter of the last financial year.	14 15
(3)	This section does not apply to a fuel seller if the fuel seller gives the information mentioned in subsection (2) to the chief executive in or with returns given under section 35E.	16 17 18 19
35Q Fal	se or misleading information	20
(1)	A person must not give the chief executive information under this part the person knows is false or misleading in a material particular.	21 22 23
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.	24
(2)	Subsection (1) does not apply to information in a document if the person, when giving the information—	25 26 27
	(a) tells the chief executive, to the best of the person's ability, how the document is false or misleading; and	28 29 30

	(b)	if the person has, or can reasonably obtain, the correct information—gives the correct information to the chief executive.	1 2 3
(3)	con	tion 47 does not apply to a document taining information to which subsection (1) lies.	4 5 6
35R Pu	blish	ing information	7
wel	osite,	f executive may publish, on the department's the following information about sustainable old in a calendar quarter—	8 9 10
	(a)	the amount of sustainable biofuel sold by all fuel sellers;	11 12
	(b)	the amount of sustainable biobased petrol, stated as a percentage of the combined volume of regular petrol and regular petrol-biobased petrol blend, sold by—	13 14 15 16
		(i) all fuel sellers; or	17
		(ii) stated fuel sellers;	18
	(c)	the amount of sustainable biobased diesel, stated as a percentage of the combined volume of diesel and diesel-biobased diesel blend, sold by—	19 20 21 22
		(i) all fuel sellers; or	23
		(ii) stated fuel sellers.	24
35S Co	mpe	nsation	25
(1)		tion 50 does not apply to a fuel seller applying with, or giving effect to—	26 27
	(a)	a provision of this part; or	28
	(b)	a direction, prohibition or requisition directed to the fuel seller for this part.	29 30

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		(2)	Subsection (1)(b) applies only if the person giving or making the direction, prohibition or requisition acted in good faith and without negligence.	1 2 3 4
Clause	7	Amendment o	of s 52 (Exemption from Act)	5
		Section 52—		6
		insert—		7
		(6)	An exemption under subsection (1) must not be granted for a provision of part 5A.	8 9
Clause	8	Insertion of ne	ew s 56A	10
		After section 56	<u> </u>	11
		insert—		12
		56A Ap	proved forms	13
			e chief executive may approve forms for use under Act.	14 15
Clause	9	Insertion of ne	ew pt 8	16
		After section 57	<u> </u>	17
		insert—		18
		Part 8	Transitional provisions	19
			for Liquid Fuel Supply	20
			(Ethanol and Other	21
			Biofuels Mandate)	22
			Amendment Act 2015	23
		pet	plication of particular provisions to sale of rol or petrol-biobased petrol blend by fuel olesalers	24 25 26
		(1)	This section applies until the start of—	27

	(a) the day on which a percentage is prescribed for section 35B(3), definition <i>wholesale</i> percentage; or	1 2 3
	(b) if the day mentioned in paragraph (a) is not the first day of a calendar quarter—the first day of the next calendar quarter.	4 5 6
(2)	Sections 35B, 35E and 35F do not apply to the sale of petrol or petrol-biobased petrol blend by a fuel wholesaler.	7 8 9
59 Giv	ving registration information	10
(1)	This section applies to a person who is a fuel seller on the day (the <i>commencement day</i>) this section commences.	11 12 13
(2)	The fuel seller must give the fuel seller's registration information, in the approved form, to the chief executive within 1 month after the commencement day, unless the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	14 15 16 17 18
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.	19
60 Giv	ving initial report	20
(1)	A fuel seller must give a report, in the approved form, to the chief executive within 1 month after the day (the <i>commencement day</i>) this section commences, unless the fuel seller has a reasonable excuse.	21 22 23 24 25
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units.	26
(2)	The report must state the volume of petrol, petrol-biobased petrol blend, diesel, and diesel-biobased diesel blend, that the fuel seller supplied from each of the fuel seller's fuel facilities in the calendar quarter just before the commencement day.	27 28 29 30 31 32
(3)	Section 35R applies to information in the report.	33

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	61 Rep	ortin	ng fuel sold	1
	(1)		section applies if section 35P commences or y (the <i>commencement day</i>) that is not 1 July.	
	(2)	Secti	ion 35P applies to a fuel seller as if—	4
		, ,	the period that starts on the commencement day and ends on the next 30 June were a financial year; and	
			if the commencement day is not the first day of a calendar quarter—the period that starts on the commencement day and ends at the end of the quarter were a calendar quarter.	s 9
lause 10	Insertion of ne	ew scl	ch 1	12
	After part 8, as in	nserte	ed by this Act—	13
	insert—			14
	Sched	dule	e 1 Dictionary	15
			section 5	5 16

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