

AN ACT

relating to the responsibility for and management of the fuel ethanol and biodiesel production incentive program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. (a) The responsibility for and management of the fuel ethanol and biodiesel production incentive program under Chapter 16, Agriculture Code, is transferred from the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office to the Department of Agriculture.

(b) Any assets, duties, functions, and funding for the program, including money in the fuel ethanol and biodiesel production account, are transferred on the effective date of this Act to the Department of Agriculture.

(c) A rule of the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office related to the fuel ethanol and biodiesel production incentive program continues in effect until changed by the Department of Agriculture.

(d) A reference in law to "office" in Chapter 16, Agriculture Code, is a reference to the Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2417 was passed by the House on April 27, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 133, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2417 was passed by the Senate on May 23, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor