

**CHAPTER 265**

**APPROPRIATION OF PETROLEUM OVERCHARGE FUNDS**

*S.F. 587*

**AN ACT** relating to and appropriating petroleum overcharge funds.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

**Section 1. PETROLEUM OVERCHARGE FUND APPROPRIATION.**

1. Funds are appropriated to the energy policy council from the funds in the petroleum overcharge fund as a consequence of the consent decrees with Standard Oil Company (Indiana), Nordstrom Oil Company, Belridge Oil Company and Vickers Energy Corporation. The funds appropriated to the energy policy council shall be distributed to the following agencies for the purposes designated in accordance with the following percentages:

a. To the energy policy council for the weatherization of residences of low-income persons ..... 21.0 percent

This program shall be administered in accordance with the federal department of energy weatherization laws and regulations for households with an income of one hundred fifty percent or less of the federal poverty guidelines.

b. To the department of transportation to establish a revolving loan fund for rural and community-based transit capital purchases ..... 37.2 percent

The general assembly intends that this program enable local transit systems to borrow local match money for capital purchases. Borrowers must demonstrate the ability to repay the loan.

c. To the department of agriculture for the improvement of petroleum quality and motor fuel inspection capabilities ..... 27.7 percent

The funds appropriated by this paragraph shall be used for upgrading and modernizing the petroleum quality and fuel inspection instruments and equipment and not for training or additional staff.

d. To the energy policy council to establish a loan assistance program for energy conservation projects ..... 9.1 percent

e. To the energy policy council for the administration costs resulting from this Act and the consent decrees ..... 5.0 percent

2. The appropriations made by subsection 1, except for paragraph "b", are for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 and ending June 30, 1986. The revolving loan fund established by paragraph "b" shall not revert at the conclusion of the fiscal year.

3. The energy policy council shall adopt rules to establish the loan assistance program for energy conservation projects.

4. The department of transportation shall adopt rules to establish a revolving loan fund for rural and community-based transportation systems.

5. The expenditures made with funds appropriated by this Act shall be in accordance with the plan for distribution of petroleum overcharge funds or any portion of it submitted by the state and approved by the United States department of energy. The energy policy council shall coordinate the reports of all agencies receiving funds under this section as to the expenditure of those funds and file a postplan report with the United States department of energy.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, all unencumbered or unobligated money remaining from the funds which were apportioned to this state under Pub. L. No. 97-377 and which were appropriated under 1983 Iowa Acts, chapter 207, sections 3, 4, and 5, under 1983 Iowa Acts, chapter 202, section 21, and under 1984 Iowa Acts, chapter 1313, section 2, as well as any interest accrued in the petroleum overcharge fund through June 30, 1985 are appropriated to the energy policy council to continue the programs established under 1983 Iowa Acts, chapter 207, sections 3, 4, and 5, as amended by this Act and under 1983 Iowa Acts, chapter 202, section 21, during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985.

Sec. 3. 1983 Iowa Acts, chapter 207, section 5, subsection 1, paragraph c, is amended by striking the paragraph.

Sec. 4. 1983 Iowa Acts, chapter 207, section 5, subsection 1, paragraph e, is amended to read as follows:

e. For grants to local governments, except hospitals and school districts, for energy conservation improvements including the installation of utility meters to monitor energy use in government-owned buildings ..... 47 53 percent

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