

Date:	February 25, 2008	Place:	Rm 102, Supreme Court Consult Rm		
Convened:	2/25/2008 2:40 PM	Recessed:	Reconvened:	Adjourned:	2/25/2008 3:15 PM
Present:	Representatives Mertz-CH, Whitaker-VC, Drake-RM, Davitt, De Boef, Dolecheck, Frevert, Gayman, Greiner, Huseman, Kuhn, Miller, H., Olson, S., Rayhons, Reasoner, Reichert, Struyk, Swaim, Wenthe, Worthan, Zirkelbach				
Absent:	None				
Excused:	None				

Roll call was taken.

Representative Mertz introduced Steve Falck Manager of the Renewable Energy Group (REG). Falck in turn introduced the two guest speakers: Jeff Stroburg, CEO of REG, and Randy Olson, Executive Director of the Iowa Biodiesel Board. Olson advised the Committee that the Iowa Biodiesel Board (IBB) began in mid 2007 and serves as the collective voice of the industry. IBB is a voluntary, nonprofit membership organization that is composed of biodiesel producers, preproduction companies and associations as well as post-production companies in Iowa.

Stroburg indicated that REG leads the industry in B100 biodiesel sales and is the only fullservice, complete production biodisel firm offering sales and marketing, production management, operations management technology and construction and research and development services. The Group serves hundreds of clients that utilize biodiesel blends in a variety of industries including on-highway fleets, agriculture, home heating, power generation, maritime and military.

Following the presentation Representative Mertz thanked the presenters.

HFB 704- Chair Whitaker, Frevert, and Dolecheck
 HSF 703- Chair H. Miller, Wenthe, Swaim, Worthan, Dolecheck
 HSF 700- Chair Kuhn, Davitt, and Huseman
 HSF 699- Chair Zirkelbach, Reasoner, and Drake
 HSF 701- Chair Reichert, Davitt S. Olson
 HSF 702- Chair Mertz, Wenthe, and Rayhons
 HSF 705- Chair Greiner, Mertz, DeBoef, Reasoner, and Frevert
 HF 2360- Chair Reichert, Frevert, and Drake
 HF 2363- Chair Reichert, Greiner, and Wenthe

Representative Miller then moved to arise.

Donna Downey, Committee Secretary