

159A.4 Advisory committee.

1. A renewable fuels and coproducts advisory committee is established within the department. The committee shall be composed of the following persons:

a. The secretary, or a person designated by the secretary, representing the department of agriculture and land stewardship, who shall be the chairperson of the committee.

b. The director of the Iowa department of economic development, or a person designated by the director, representing the Iowa department of economic development.

c. The director of the state department of transportation, or a person designated by the director, representing the state department of transportation.

d. The director of the department of natural resources, or a person designated by the director, representing the department of natural resources.

e. A person representing retail dealers as defined in section 214A.1 who shall be actively engaged in the business of selling motor vehicle fuel on a retail basis.

f. A person representing refiners of petroleum products who shall be actively engaged in the business of refining petroleum into motor vehicle fuel for the purpose of sale within the state.

g. A person representing an organization serving livestock producers in this state.

h. A person representing the Iowa corn growers association.

i. A person representing the Iowa soybean association.

j. A person actively engaged in farming, as defined in section 9H.1.

k. A person representing the renewable fuels industry in this state.

The governor shall appoint persons who shall be confirmed by the senate, pursuant to section 2.32, to serve as voting members of the committee. However, the secretary of agriculture shall appoint the person representing the department of agriculture and land stewardship, the director of the Iowa department of economic development shall appoint the person representing that department, the director of the state department of transportation shall appoint the person representing that department, and the director of the department of natural resources shall appoint the person representing that department. The governor may make appointments of persons representing organizations listed under paragraphs "*g*" through "*i*" from a list of candidates which shall be provided by the organization upon request by the governor.

2. The members appointed pursuant to subsection 1, paragraphs "*e*" through "*k*", shall serve three-year terms beginning and ending as provided in section 69.19. However, the governor shall appoint initial members to serve for less than three years to ensure members serve staggered terms. A member is eligible for reappointment. A vacancy on the committee shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the regular term in the same manner as regular appointments are made.

3. The committee shall include four ex officio nonvoting members who shall be legislative members. The legislative members are two state senators, one appointed by the president of the senate, after consultation with the majority leader of the senate, and one appointed by the minority leader of the senate, after consultation with the president of the senate, from their respective parties; and two state representatives, one appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, after consultation with the majority leader of the

house of representatives, and one appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives, from their respective parties.

4. The committee shall meet on a regular basis and at the call of the chairperson or upon the written request to the chairperson of two or more voting members.

5. The members other than those enumerated in subsection 1, paragraphs "a" through "d", are entitled to receive compensation as provided in section 7E.6.

6. Five voting members constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members present is necessary for any substantive action to be taken by the committee. The majority shall not include any member who has a conflict of interest and a statement by a member that the member has a conflict of interest is conclusive for this purpose. A vacancy in the membership does not impair the duties of the committee.

7. The committee shall be staffed by the agricultural marketing division of the department. The coordinator shall serve as secretary to the committee.

91 Acts, ch 254, § 9; 92 Acts, ch 1013, § 13; 94 Acts, ch 1119, §1417