

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2256

5 By: Representative Maxwell
6 By: Senator J. Jeffress
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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO SPECIFY THAT BIOMASS GROWN FOR THE
11 PURPOSE OF BIOFUEL PRODUCTION IS NOT SUBJECT TO A
12 SEVERANCE TAX; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO EXEMPT BIOMASS GROWN FOR BIOFUEL
15 PRODUCTION FROM THE SEVERANCE TAX.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 26-58-111(9) and (10) [Effective January 1,*
22 *2009], concerning the rate of the severance tax, is amended to read as*
23 *follows:*

24 *(9) On salt water whose naturally dissolved components, or*
25 *solutes, are used as source raw materials for bromine and other products*
26 *derived from the same salt water used in the bromine production, two dollars*
27 *and forty-five cents (\$2.45) per one thousand (1,000) barrels, forty-two*
28 *thousand United States gallons (42,000 U.S. gals.); and*

29 *(10)(A) ~~On~~ Except as provided in subdivision (10)(B) of this*
30 *section, on all other natural resources not otherwise specifically identified*
31 *under the severance tax laws of this state, five percent (5%) of the market*
32 *value at time and point of severance.*

33 *(B)(i) Biomass used primarily for the purpose of biofuel*
34 *production is not subject to a severance tax.*

35 *(ii) As used in subdivision (10)(B)(i) of this*
36 *section, "biomass" means any woody biomass that is grown for use in biofuels*



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/s/ Maxwell

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