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156228-4:n:03/04/2014:LLR\*/mfc LRS2013-4420R3 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 SYNOPSIS: Existing law requires that an inspection fee 8 is collected on petroleum products sold, offered 9 10 for sale, stored, or used in the state. Currently, 11 this fee is collected by the Alabama Department of 12 Agriculture and Industries. 13 This bill would move the collection of the 14 inspection fee that pertains to gasoline to the terminal excise tax return and dyed diesel fuel, 15 16 dyed kerosene, and lubricating oil products to a 17 separate return. 18 This bill would require the Alabama 19 Department of Revenue to collect the fees. 20 This bill would clarify the definitions used 21 for petroleum products fee under Title 8, Chapter 22 17, Code of Alabama 1975. 23 This bill would change the disposition of 24 the funds to provide for an amount to the Alabama 25 Department of Revenue for administration in 26 collecting the fees. 27

| 1  | A BILL   |
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| 2  | TO BE ENTITLED   |
| 3  | AN ACT   |
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| 5  | To amend Sections 8-17-80, 8-17-84, 8-17-87,                   |
| 6  | 8-17-91, 8-17-92, and 8-17-93, Code of Alabama 1975; to repeal |
| 7  | Section 8-17-89 of the Code of Alabama 1975; to add Sections   |
| 8  | 8-17-95, 8-17-96, 8-17-97, 8-17-98, 8-17-99, 8-17-100,         |
| 9  | 8-17-101, and 8-17-102 to Chapter 17, Article 5, Title 8 of    |
| 10 | the Code of Alabama 1975; and to amend Sections 40-17-325,     |
| 11 | 40-17-329, as amended by Act 2013-200 and Act 2013-372, 2013   |
| 12 | Regular Session, Section 40-17-359, Code of Alabama 1975, as   |
| 13 | amended by Act 2013-372 and Act 2013-402, 2013 Regular         |
| 14 | Session, and 40-17-362 relating to the collection and          |
| 15 | distribution of certain petroleum products by the Department   |
| 16 | of Revenue.  |
| 17 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:                   |
| 18 | Section 1. Sections 8-17-80, 8-17-84, 8-17-87,                 |
| 19 | 8-17-91, 8-17-92, and 8-17-93, Code of Alabama 1975, are       |
| 20 | amended to read as follows:                                    |
| 21 | "§8-17-80.   |
| 22 | "(a) The following words and phrases, when used in             |
| 23 | this division article, shall have the meanings ascribed to     |
| 24 | them in this section, except where the context clearly         |
| 25 | indicates a different meaning:                                 |
| 26 | "(1) GASOLINE. Gasoline, naphtha and other liquid              |
| 27 | motor fuels or any devices or substitutes therefor that are    |

1 commonly used in internal combustion engines and are there
2 ignited by electric spark.

"(2) DIESEL FUEL. Those products of petroleum that 3 are commonly used in internal combustion engines and are there 4 5 ignited by pressure and not by electric spark and that are of the types commonly referred to and known commercially as 6 7 diesel fuel No. 1 and diesel fuel No. 2; provided, however, 8 that "diesel fuel" shall not mean any petroleum product used 9 in firing steam boilers or combustion generating turbines by 10 compression.

"(3) KEROSENE. That certain product of petroleum 11 12 commonly referred to as kerosene and commonly used for 13 illuminating, heating, or cooking purposes and other like 14 products of petroleum used for the same purposes for which 15 kerosene is commonly used, regardless of the actual purpose or purposes for which the said kerosene or other product may 16 17 actually be used; provided, however, that "kerosene" shall not mean any petroleum product used in firing steam boilers or 18 19 combustion generating turbines by compression.

20 "(4) LUBRICATING OIL. Those products of petroleum 21 that are commonly used in lubricating or oiling engines and 22 any devices or substitutes for such products of petroleum. 23 "(5) PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. Gasoline, diesel fuel, 24 kerosene, and lubricating oil. 25 "(6) COMMISSIONER. The Alabama Commissioner of

26 Agriculture and Industries.

| 1  | " <del>(7) DEPARTMENT. The Alabama Department of</del>           |
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| 2  | Agriculture and Industries.                                      |
| 3  | " <del>(8) BOARD. The Alabama Board of Agriculture and</del>     |
| 4  | Industries.  |
| 5  | " <del>(9) STATE. The State of Alabama.</del>                    |
| 6  | " <del>(10) PERSON. Any natural person, firm, partnership,</del> |
| 7  | association, corporation, receiver, trust, estate, or other      |
| 8  | entity as well as any other group or combination thereof         |
| 9  | acting as a unit.  |
| 10 | " <del>(11) BRAND. The trade name or other designation</del>     |
| 11 | under which a particular petroleum product is sold, offered      |
| 12 | for sale or otherwise identified.                                |
| 13 | " <del>(12) PERSON FIRST SELLING. Any person, as herein</del>    |
| 14 | defined, who first sells petroleum products in Alabama on        |
| 15 | which inspection fees are imposed by this division, unless       |
| 16 | such first sale is made to a reseller who elects in writing to   |
| 17 | qualify as a first seller by complying with the following        |
| 18 | provisions:  |
| 19 | "a. By making application which shall be approved by             |
| 20 | the Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries, the reseller     |
| 21 | shall file with the Department of Agriculture and Industries a   |
| 22 | bond in an approximate amount equal to the average monthly       |
| 23 | inspection fee estimated by the commissioner which will be due   |
| 24 | by the reseller; provided, that in no case shall the bond be     |
| 25 | less than \$2,500 or more than \$5,000. The bond shall be in     |
| 26 | such form and amount as may be approved by the commissioner,     |
| 27 | shall be executed by a surety company licensed and duly          |

1 authorized to do business in Alabama, shall be payable to the 2 State of Alabama and shall be conditioned upon the prompt filing of true reports and the payment by the reseller to the 3 4 Department of Agriculture and Industries of any and all 5 inspection fees which are imposed by this division with respect to any petroleum products and which, but for the 6 7 election made pursuant to this section, would be payable by the person from whom said petroleum products are purchased by 8 9 the reseller, together with all penalties and interest thereon, and generally upon faithful compliance with the 10 provisions of this division. In lieu of a quaranty bond, the 11 12 reseller may post Alabama state coupon bonds or United States 13 government bonds under such terms, rules and regulations as 14 may be approved by the commissioner.

15 "b. In the event that liability upon any bond filed 16 under the provisions of this subsection shall be discharged or 17 reduced, whether by judgment entered, payment made or otherwise, or if in the opinion of the commissioner any surety 18 on the bond theretofore given shall become unsatisfactory or 19 20 unacceptable, then the commissioner may require the filing of 21 a new or additional bond conditioned as hereinabove provided, 22 and, in the event of the failure of any reseller within 10 23 days after written notice to it by the commissioner to file such new or additional bond, the commissioner shall cancel the 24 25 permit issued to such reseller.

26 "c. If upon a hearing had by the Commissioner of
 27 Agriculture and Industries after five days' written notice to

any reseller the commissioner shall decide that the amount of 1 2 any existing bond filed by any reseller is insufficient, the commissioner may order such reseller to file, within 10 days 3 4 after written notice by the commissioner to such reseller, a new or additional bond in such amount as the commissioner upon 5 said hearing may find reasonably necessary to insure payment 6 7 of all amounts due or to become due to the State of Alabama, conditioned as hereinabove provided; and, if such new or 8 9 additional bond is not filed within 10 days after such notice from the commissioner, the commissioner may cancel the permit 10 11 already issued to such reseller.

12 "d. The commissioner may reduce the amount of any 13 bond upon written application of any reseller if satisfied 14 that a bond in a reduced amount will insure payment of all 15 amounts due or to become due to the State of Alabama. The total amount of bond or bonds to be given by any reseller 16 17 under this subdivision shall in no event be less than \$2,500 nor more than \$5,000; provided, however, that the commissioner 18 19 may require such additional bond as may be deemed necessary to 20 insure the prompt payment of all inspection fees on the sale 21 or withdrawal of petroleum products due, or to become due, the 22 state by the reseller, but no demand for additional bond above 23 \$5,000 shall be made without first determining from a study of 24 the reseller's financial statement which shall be supplied 25 upon request of the commissioner that such additional bond is 26 necessary.

| 1  | "e. Any surety on any bond furnished by any                    |
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| 2  | reseller, as above provided, shall be released and discharged  |
| 3  | from any and all liability to the State of Alabama accruing on |
| 4  | such bond after the expiration of 60 days from the date upon   |
| 5  | which surety shall have filed with the Department of           |
| 6  | Agriculture and Industries written request to be released and  |
| 7  | discharged; provided, however, that such request shall not     |
| 8  | operate to relieve, release or discharge such surety from any  |
| 9  | liability already accrued or which shall accrue before the     |
| 10 | expiration of such 60-day period. The Commissioner of          |
| 11 | Agriculture and Industries shall promptly, upon receipt of     |
| 12 | notice of such request, notify the reseller who furnished such |
| 13 | bond of the request of the surety on said bond and, unless     |
| 14 | such reseller shall file, on or before the expiration of such  |
| 15 | 60-day period, with the Department of Agriculture and          |
| 16 | Industries a new bond in the amount and form hereinbefore in   |
| 17 | this subdivision provided, the commissioner shall forthwith    |
| 18 | cancel the permit of said reseller.                            |
| 19 | "(1) AVIATION GASOLINE. Motor fuel designed for use            |
| 20 | in the operation of aircraft other than jet aircraft, and sold |
| 21 | or used for that purpose.                                      |
| 22 | "(2) BIODIESEL FUEL. Any motor fuel or mixture of              |
| 23 | motor fuels that is derived, in whole or in part, from         |
| 24 | agricultural products or animal fats, or the wastes of such    |
| 25 | products or fats, and is advertised as, offered for sale as,   |
| 26 | suitable for use, or used as motor fuel in a diesel engine.    |

| 1  | "(3) BLENDED FUEL. A mixture composed of gasoline or          |
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| 2  | diesel fuel and any other liquid that can be used as a motor  |
| 3  | fuel in a highway vehicle.                                    |
| 4  | "(4) BOARD. The Alabama Board of Agriculture and              |
| 5  | Industries.   |
| 6  | "(5) BONDED DISTRIBUTOR. A reseller of dyed diesel            |
| 7  | fuel, dyed kerosene, and/or lubricating oil who elects to be  |
| 8  | bonded in accordance with Section 8-17-96.                    |
| 9  | "(6) BRAND. The trade name or other designation               |
| 10 | under which a particular petroleum product is sold, offered   |
| 11 | for sale, or otherwise identified.                            |
| 12 | "(7) BULK TRANSFER. Any transfer of motor fuel from           |
| 13 | one location to another by pipeline tender or marine delivery |
| 14 | within a bulk transfer/terminal system, including, but not    |
| 15 | limited to, the following:                                    |
| 16 | "a. The movement of motor fuel from a refinery or             |
| 17 | terminal to a terminal by marine vessel or barge.             |
| 18 | "b. The movement of motor fuel from a refinery or             |
| 19 | terminal to a terminal by pipeline.                           |
| 20 | "c. The book or in-tank transfer of motor fuel                |
| 21 | within a terminal between licensed suppliers prior to the     |
| 22 | completion of removal across the rack.                        |
| 23 | "d. A two-party exchange between licensed suppliers           |
| 24 | or between licensed suppliers and permissive suppliers.       |
| 25 | "(8) BULK TRANSFER/TERMINAL SYSTEM. The motor fuel            |
| 26 | distribution system consisting of refineries, pipelines,      |
| 27 | marine vessels, and terminals.                                |

| 1        | "(9) COMMISSIONER. The Alabama Commissioner of                 |
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| 2        | Agriculture and Industries.                                    |
| 3        | "(10) DEPARTMENT. The Alabama Department of                    |
| 4        | Agriculture and Industries.                                    |
| 5        | " <u>(11) DIESEL FUEL. Any liquid that is advertised,</u>      |
| 6        | offered for sale, or sold for use as or used as a motor fuel   |
| 7        | in a diesel-powered engine. Diesel fuel includes #1 and #2     |
| 8        | fuel oils, kerosene, special fuels, and blended fuels which    |
| 9        | contain diesel fuel, but shall not include gasoline or         |
| 10       | aviation fuel.   |
| 11       | "(12) DYED DIESEL FUEL. Diesel fuel that meets the             |
| 12       | dyeing and marking requirements of Section 4082, Title 26 of   |
| 13       | the United States Code.  |
| 14       | "(13) DYED KEROSENE. Kerosene that meets the dyeing            |
| 15       | and marking requirements of Section 4082, Title 26 of the      |
| 16       | United States Code.  |
| 17       | "(14) GASOHOL. A blended motor fuel composed of                |
| 18       | gasoline and motor fuel grade alcohol.                         |
| 19       | "(15) GASOLINE. Any product commonly or commercially           |
| 20       | known as gasoline, regardless of classification, that is       |
| 21       | advertised, offered for sale, or sold for use as or used as    |
| 22       | motor fuel in an internal combustion engine, including gasohol |
| 23       | and blended fuel which contains gasoline. Gasoline also        |
|          | and brended fuer which contains gasoffile. Gasoffile also      |
| 24       | includes gasoline blendstocks as defined under Section 4081,   |
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| 1  | or aviation gasoline sold to a licensed aviation fuel          |
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| 2  | purchaser for use in an aircraft motor.                        |
| 3  | "(16) IMPORT. To bring petroleum products into this            |
| 4  | state for sale, use, or storage by any means of conveyance     |
| 5  | other than in the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle.         |
| 6  | Petroleum products delivered into this state from out-of-state |
| 7  | by or for the seller constitutes an import by the seller.      |
| 8  | Petroleum products delivered into this state from out-of-state |
| 9  | by or for the purchaser constitutes an import by the           |
| 10 | purchaser.   |
| 11 | "(17) IMPORTER. A person who imports petroleum                 |
| 12 | products into this state.                                      |
| 13 | "(18) K-1 KEROSENE. A petroleum product having an              |
| 14 | A.P.I. gravity of not less than 40 degrees, at a temperature   |
| 15 | of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and a minimum flash point of 100      |
| 16 | degrees Fahrenheit, and which meets American Society for       |
| 17 | Testing Materials Standard D-3699 as in effect on January 1,   |
| 18 | <u>1999.</u>   |
| 19 | "(19) KEROSENE. All grades of kerosene, including,             |
| 20 | but not limited to, the two grades of kerosene, No. 1-K and    |
| 21 | No. 2-K, commonly known as K-1 kerosene and K-2 kerosene,      |
| 22 | respectively, described in the American Society for Testing    |
| 23 | Materials Standard D-3699, in effect on January 1, 1999, and   |
| 24 | kerosene-type jet fuel described in the American Society for   |
| 25 | Testing Materials Standard D-1655 and military specifications  |
| 26 | MIL-t-5624r and MIL-t-83133d (grades jp-5 and jp8) and any     |
| 27 | grade described as kerosene or kerosene-type jet fuel by the   |

Internal Revenue Code and administrative guidance promulgated
 thereunder.

"(20) LUBRICATING OIL. Those products of petroleum 3 that are commonly used in lubricating or oiling engines and 4 any devices or substitutes for such products of petroleum. 5 "(21) NET GALLONS. The amount of dyed diesel fuel 6 7 and dyed kerosene measured in gallons when adjusted to a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and a pressure of 8 fourteen and seven-tenths pounds pressure per square inch. 9 10 "(22) PERMISSIVE SUPPLIER. An out-of-state supplier that elects, but is not required, to have a supplier's license 11 12 as required in Section 40-17-332. 13 "(23) PERSON. Any natural person, firm, partnership, 14 association, corporation, receiver, trust, estate, or other 15 entity as well as any other group or combination thereof 16 acting as a unit. 17 "(24) PERSON FIRST SELLING. Any person, as herein defined, who first sells dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, 18 and/or lubricating oil in Alabama on which an inspection fee 19 is imposed by this article. The first seller of dyed diesel 20 21 fuel, dyed kerosene, and/or lubricating oil must obtain an 22 inspection fee permit by making application to the Department 23 of Revenue. 24 "(25) PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. Gasoline, diesel fuel, and 25 lubricating oil. "(26) REVENUE COMMISSIONER. The Commissioner of the 26 27 Alabama Department of Revenue.

| 1  | " <u>(27)</u> SPECIAL FUEL. Any gas or liquid, other than      |
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| 2  | gasoline, used or suitable for use as motor fuel in an         |
| 3  | internal combustion engine or motor to propel any form of      |
| 4  | vehicle, machine, or mechanical contrivance, and includes      |
| 5  | products commonly known as natural or casing-head gasoline,    |
| 6  | biodiesel fuel, and transmix. Special fuel does not include    |
| 7  | any petroleum product or chemical compound such as alcohol,    |
| 8  | industrial solvent, or lubricant, unless blended in or sold    |
| 9  | for use as motor fuel in an internal combustion engine.        |
| 10 | "(28) STATE. The State of Alabama.                             |
| 11 | "(29) SUPPLIER. A person who is subject to the                 |
| 12 | general taxing jurisdiction of this state and registered under |
| 13 | Section 4101 of the Internal Revenue Code for transactions in  |
| 14 | motor fuel in the bulk transfer/terminal distribution system   |
| 15 | and who owns motor fuel in the bulk transfer/terminal system,  |
| 16 | or a person who receives motor fuel in this state pursuant to  |
| 17 | a two-party exchange. A terminal operator shall not be         |
| 18 | considered a supplier based solely on the fact that the        |
| 19 | terminal operator handles motor fuel consigned to it within a  |
| 20 | terminal.  |
| 21 | " <u>(30) UNDYED DIESEL FUEL. Diesel fuel that has not</u>     |
| 22 | been dyed in accordance with the Internal Revenue Service fuel |
| 23 | dyeing provisions.   |
| 24 | "(b) The definitions set forth in this section shall           |
| 25 | be deemed applicable whether the words defined are herein used |
| 26 | in the singular or plural.                                     |
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1 "(c) Any pronoun or pronouns used herein shall be 2 deemed to include both singular and plural and to cover all 3 genders.

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"§8-17-84.

"(a) Every person selling, offering for sale, 5 storing or using petroleum products in the state shall keep a 6 7 record of all such petroleum products manufactured, refined, purchased, received, sold, imported, stored, delivered, or 8 used by him, which record shall show the number of gallons so 9 10 manufactured, refined, purchased, received, sold, imported, 11 stored, delivered, or used and the date or dates of each such 12 transaction. Each person required to be licensed under Section 40-17-332(a), (b), or (f) for gasoline, or permitted under 13 14 Section 8-17-96 for dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or 15 lubricating oil, and each bulk user and retailer shall keep and maintain all records pertaining to the petroleum products 16 17 received, produced, manufactured, refined, compounded, used, sold, imported, or delivered, together with delivery tickets, 18 invoices, bills of lading, and other pertinent records and 19 papers required by the Department of Revenue for the 20 reasonable administration of this article, for a period of no 21 22 less than three years.

"(b) All such records shall be preserved for a
period of two three years and shall at all times during the
business hours of the day be subject to inspection by the
<u>Revenue</u> Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries or his
agents or representatives.

| 1  | "(c) The <del>Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries</del>           |
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| 2  | shall <u>Revenue Commissioner may</u> prescribe regulations              |
| 3  | respecting the keeping of the records required in this section           |
| 4  | and the forms thereof.   |
| 5  | "§8-17-87.   |
| 6  | "(a) An inspection fee is <del>hereby</del> imposed <del>and shall</del> |
| 7  | be collected in respect of petroleum products sold, offered              |
| 8  | for sale, stored, or used in the state, the said fee to be               |
| 9  | measured by the number of gallons and to be at the following             |
| 10 | rates: on the ultimate consumer of gasoline at the rate of two           |
| 11 | cents (\$.02) per gallon, if the excise tax levied on gasoline           |
| 12 | under Section 40-17-325(a)(1) is refunded by the Department of           |
| 13 | Revenue unless the ultimate consumer is specifically exempted            |
| 14 | from the inspection fee by the Code of Alabama. The Department           |
| 15 | of Revenue is authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by              |
| 16 | the amount due for the inspection fee.                                   |
| 17 | " <del>(1) Gasoline, \$.02 per gallon.</del>                             |
| 18 | " <del>(2) Diesel<u>(</u>b) An inspection fee is imposed on the</del>    |
| 19 | ultimate consumer of undyed diesel fuel other than that                  |
| 20 | referred to in subdivisions (a)(5), (a)(6), (a)(7), (a)(8),              |
| 21 | and (a)(9) of this section, \$.02 at the rate of two cents               |
| 22 | (\$.02) per gallon, if the excise tax levied on diesel fuel              |
| 23 | under Section 40-17-325(a)(2) is refunded by the Department of           |
| 24 | Revenue unless the ultimate consumer is specifically exempted            |
| 25 | from the inspection fee by the Code of Alabama or unless the             |
| 26 | undyed diesel fuel is subject to a reduced rate inspection fee           |
| 27 | in subdivision (i). The Department of Revenue is authorized to           |

| 1  | reduce the excise tax refund by the amount due for the          |
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| 2  | inspection fee. Provided, however, diesel fuel that is subject  |
| 3  | to the excise taxes levied on motor fuel under Sections         |
| 4  | 40-17-2 and 40-17-220 shall be exempt from the inspection fee   |
| 5  | levied on diesel fuel pursuant to this subdivision.             |
| 6  | " <del>(3) Kerosene other than that referred to in</del>        |
| 7  | subdivisions (a)(5), (a)(6), (a)(7), and (a)(9) of this         |
| 8  | section, \$.01 per gallon.                                      |
| 9  | " <del>(4) Lubricating oil, \$.15 per gallon.</del>             |
| 10 | " <del>(5) Kerosene or diesel fuel that is of the types</del>   |
| 11 | customarily used as, and that is intended to be used only as,   |
| 12 | fuel to propel jet aircraft, one fortieth of \$.01 per gallon.  |
| 13 | " <del>(6) Kerosene or diesel fuel that is used by the</del>    |
| 14 | ultimate consumer thereof as motor fuel to operate boats,       |
| 15 | yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles, whether such boats,  |
| 16 | yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles are used              |
| 17 | commercially or for pleasure, one fortieth of \$.01 per gallon. |
| 18 | " <del>(7) Kerosene or diesel fuel used by the ultimate</del>   |
| 19 | consumer thereof to propel or operate tractors which are not    |
| 20 | operated on public highways but which are used exclusively in   |
| 21 | preparing and cultivating land, harvesting any agricultural     |
| 22 | commodity, or for other agricultural purposes, including        |
| 23 | pasture and hay production; provided, however, that the term    |
| 24 | "tractors" as used herein shall not include automobiles,        |
| 25 | trucks, pickups, trailers, semitrailers, or other such          |
| 26 | vehicles, one fortieth of \$.01 per gallon.                     |

| 1  | " <del>(8) Diesel fuel that is of the types customarily</del>   |
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| 2  | used as, and that is intended to be used as, only fuel to       |
| 3  | propel railroad locomotives, one fortieth of \$.01 per gallon.  |
| 4  | Diesel fuel of the types referred to in this subdivision shall  |
| 5  | be inspected in a manner determined and prescribed by the       |
| 6  | Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries.                     |
| 7  | " <del>(9) Kerosene or diesel fuel used by the ultimate</del>   |
| 8  | consumer thereof as a solvent or other agent in the treatment   |
| 9  | or preservation of wood products, one fortieth of \$.01 per     |
| 10 | gallon.   |
| 11 | " <del>(b) It shall be the duty of the person first</del>       |
| 12 | selling, storing, or using any petroleum product in the state   |
| 13 | to pay such inspection fee. The inspection fee shall be paid    |
| 14 | to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries on or before  |
| 15 | the twentieth day of each month in respect of all petroleum     |
| 16 | products sold, stored, or used in the state during the          |
| 17 | preceding month. Each remittance shall be accompanied by a      |
| 18 | certificate stating that the amount remitted is correct and     |
| 19 | that the petroleum products so sold, stored, or used are of     |
| 20 | standard not less than the minimum specified for that           |
| 21 | petroleum product in the standards prescribed by the board      |
| 22 | pursuant to Section 8-17-81.                                    |
| 23 | " <del>(c) If, at the time the inspection fee is due, the</del> |
| 24 | person liable therefor is unable to ascertain the correct       |
| 25 | amount of such inspection fee because the use to be made of     |
| 26 | any diesel fuel or kerosene with respect to which the           |

27 inspection fee is then due has not been or cannot be

1 ascertained at such time, then such person shall pay to the 2 Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries as the inspection 3 fee payable with respect to such diesel fuel and kerosene, 4 \$.02 for each gallon of such diesel fuel and \$.01 for each 5 gallon of such kerosene.

"(d) Upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the 6 7 Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries that all or any portion of such diesel fuel or kerosene with respect to which 8 an inspection fee at the rate of \$.02 or \$.01 per gallon 9 respectively has been paid or has been or will be used for a 10 11 purpose or purposes specified in subdivisions (a) (5), (a) (6), 12 (a) (7), (a) (8), and (a) (9), then such person shall be entitled 13 to a credit against the amount of inspection fee becoming due 14 from such person on the twentieth day of the then next 15 following calendar month, such credit to be in an amount equal to thirty-nine fortieths of \$.01 for each gallon of kerosene 16 17 or one thirty-nine fortieths cents for each gallon of diesel fuel proved to have been used or to be used for such specified 18 19 purpose or purposes; provided, that should the credit to which 20 a person is entitled hereunder exceed the amount of the 21 inspection fee becoming due from such person on the twentieth 22 day of the then next following calendar month, then the excess 23 of the credit over the amount of the inspection fee becoming 24 due shall be refunded to such person or, at such person's 25 election, credited against the amount of any inspection fees 26 subsequently becoming due from such person.

"(e) The Board of Agriculture and Industries shall
have authority to promulgate rules and regulations with
respect to the form and content of the proof of use which must
be supplied by a person seeking such a credit or refund and
with respect to the procedure to be followed in applying for
such a credit or refund.

7 "(f) The inspection fee provided for in this section 8 shall be paid but once with respect to the same product; but 9 in the event any person fails to make payment as herein provided on or before the date such payment is due, the 10 11 Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries shall add to the 12 inspection fee already due an amount equal to 10 percent 13 thereof as a penalty for the failure of such person to make 14 such report and payment upon the date provided in this section 15 and shall proceed to collect such inspection fee, together with all costs incident to such collection, including the 16 17 penalty.

"(g) The inspection fee and any penalty added 18 19 thereto shall constitute and operate as a lien at all times 20 until paid upon any petroleum products sold, offered for sale, 21 stored, or used in the state by the person liable for the fee, 22 and shall be immediately enforceable by the Commissioner of 23 Agriculture and Industries when due in the same manner as are 24 tax liens upon personal property of a delinquent taxpayer. 25 "(c) An inspection fee of two cents (\$.02) per

26 <u>gallon is imposed on the first sale within this state or</u>
27 <u>imported into this state of dyed diesel fuel unless (1) the</u>

| 1  | purchaser is a bonded distributor, in which case the           |
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| 2  | inspection fee is imposed at the point the bonded distributor  |
| 3  | makes a sale to a purchaser who is not a bonded distributor,   |
| 4  | or (2) the purchaser is subject to a reduced rate inspection   |
| 5  | fee in subsections (e), (f), (g), and (h). The person first    |
| 6  | selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor shall |
| 7  | collect the fee imposed by this article.                       |
| 8  | " <u>(d)</u> An inspection fee of one cent (\$.01) per gallon  |
| 9  | is imposed on the first sale within this state or imported     |
| 10 | into this state of dyed kerosene unless (1) the purchaser is a |
| 11 | bonded distributor, in which case the inspection fee is        |
| 12 | imposed at the point the bonded distributor makes a sale to a  |
| 13 | purchaser who is not a bonded distributor, or (2) the          |
| 14 | purchaser is subject to a reduced rate inspection fee in       |
| 15 | subsections (e), (f), (q), and (h). The person first selling,  |
| 16 | the person importing, or the bonded distributor shall collect  |
| 17 | the fee imposed by this article.                               |
| 18 | " <u>(e) Dyed diesel fuel and dyed kerosene that is used</u>   |
| 19 | by the ultimate consumer thereof as motor fuel to operate      |
| 20 | boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles, whether such |
| 21 | boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles are used      |
| 22 | commercially or for pleasure, shall be subject to the reduced  |
| 23 | inspection fee of one fortieth of \$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon. |
| 24 | This reduced rate only applies to purchases by the ultimate    |
| 25 | consumer directly from a bonded distributor. The person first  |
| 26 | selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor shall |
| 27 | collect the fee imposed by this article.                       |

| 1  | " <u>(f) Dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene used by the</u>     |
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| 2  | ultimate consumer thereof to propel or operate tractors which  |
| 3  | are not operated on public highways but which are used         |
| 4  | exclusively in preparing and cultivating land, harvesting any  |
| 5  | agricultural commodity, or for other agricultural purposes,    |
| 6  | including pasture and hay production; provided, however, that  |
| 7  | the term "tractors" as used herein shall not include           |
| 8  | automobiles, trucks, pickups, trailers, semitrailers, or other |
| 9  | such vehicles, shall be subject to the reduced inspection fee  |
| 10 | of one fortieth of \$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon. This reduced   |
| 11 | rate only applies to purchases by the ultimate consumer        |
| 12 | directly from a bonded distributor. The person first selling,  |
| 13 | the person importing, or the bonded distributor shall collect  |
| 14 | the fee imposed by this article.                               |
| 15 | "(g) Dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene that is of              |
| 16 | the types customarily used as, and that is intended to be used |
| 17 | only as, fuel to propel railroad locomotives, shall be subject |
| 18 | to the reduced inspection fee of one fortieth of \$.01         |
| 19 | (\$.00025) per gallon. This reduced rate only applies to       |
| 20 | purchases by the ultimate consumer directly from a bonded      |
| 21 | distributor. The person first selling, the person importing,   |
| 22 | or the bonded distributor shall collect the fee imposed by     |
| 23 | this article.  |
| 24 | "(h) Dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene used by the             |
| 25 | ultimate consumer thereof as a solvent or other agent in the   |
| 26 | treatment or preservation of wood products, shall be subject   |
| 27 | to the reduced inspection fee of one fortieth of \$.01         |

| 1  | (\$.00025) per gallon. This reduced rate only applies to               |
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| 2  | purchases by the ultimate consumer directly from a bonded              |
| 3  | distributor. The person first selling, the person importing,           |
| 4  | or the bonded distributor shall collect the fee imposed by             |
| 5  | this article.  |
| 6  | "(i) An inspection fee is imposed on the ultimate                      |
| 7  | consumer of undyed diesel fuel at the rate of one fortieth of          |
| 8  | <u>\$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon, if the excise tax levied on undyed</u> |
| 9  | diesel fuel under Section 40-17-325(a)(2) is refunded by the           |
| 10 | Department of Revenue and the ultimate consumer specifically           |
| 11 | used the undyed diesel fuel:   |
| 12 | "(1) to operate boats, yachts, ships, or other                         |
| 13 | maritime vehicles, whether such boats, yachts, ships, or other         |
| 14 | maritime vehicles are used commercially or for pleasure;               |
| 15 | "(2) to propel or operate tractors which are not                       |
| 16 | operated on public highways but which are used exclusively in          |
| 17 | preparing and cultivating land, harvesting any agricultural            |
| 18 | commodity, or for other agricultural purposes, including               |
| 19 | pasture and hay production; provided, however, that the term           |
| 20 | "tractors" as used herein shall not include automobiles,               |
| 21 | trucks, pickups, trailers, semitrailers, or other such                 |
| 22 | <u>vehicles;</u>   |
| 23 | "(3) to propel railroad locomotives, or                                |
| 24 | "(4) used as solvent or other agent in the treatment                   |
| 25 | or preservation of wood products.                                      |

| 1  | "The Department of Revenue is authorized to reduce             |
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| 2  | the excise tax refund by the amount due for the inspection     |
| 3  | <u>fee.</u>  |
| 4  | " <u>(j) An inspection fee of \$.15 per gallon is imposed</u>  |
| 5  | on the person first selling lubricating oil in this state or   |
| 6  | importing lubricating oil into this state, regardless of       |
| 7  | whether the excise taxes levied on lube oil under Sections     |
| 8  | 40-17-171 and 40-17-220 are paid, unless the purchaser is a    |
| 9  | bonded distributor, in which case the inspection fee is        |
| 10 | imposed at the point the bonded distributor makes a sale to a  |
| 11 | purchaser who is not a bonded distributor. The person first    |
| 12 | selling, the person importing, or bonded distributor shall     |
| 13 | collect the fee imposed by this article.                       |
| 14 | "(k) An inspection fee of \$.02 per gallon is imposed          |
| 15 | on removal within this state of gasoline and undyed diesel     |
| 16 | fuel from the terminal using the terminal rack, other than by  |
| 17 | bulk transfer, if the supplier sells the gasoline or undyed    |
| 18 | diesel fuel to a licensed entity which is exempt from the      |
| 19 | excise tax levied on gasoline or diesel fuel under Section     |
| 20 | 40-17-325(a); unless the purchaser is the federal government.  |
| 21 | The supplier shall collect the inspection fee imposed by this  |
| 22 | article from the purchaser at the time of sale of the gasoline |
| 23 | or undyed diesel fuel.   |
| 24 | "(1) An inspection fee of \$.02 per gallon is imposed          |
| 25 | at the time gasoline and undyed diesel fuel is imported into   |
| 26 | this state, other than by bulk transfer, for delivery to a     |
| 27 | destination in this state, if the supplier sells the gasoline  |

| 1  | or undyed diesel fuel to a licensed entity which is exempt         |
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| 2  | from the excise tax levied on gasoline or diesel fuel under        |
| 3  | Section 40-17-325(a); unless the purchaser is the federal          |
| 4  | government. The supplier or permissive supplier shall collect      |
| 5  | the inspection fee imposed by this article from the person who     |
| 6  | imports the gasoline or undyed diesel fuel into this state.        |
| 7  | " <u>(m) In each subsequent sale of petroleum products</u>         |
| 8  | on which the inspection fee has been paid, the amount of the       |
| 9  | inspection fee shall be added to the selling price so that the     |
| 10 | inspection fee is paid ultimately by the person using or           |
| 11 | consuming the petroleum product.                                   |
| 12 | " <u>(n)</u> Petroleum products in a refinery, a pipeline, a       |
| 13 | terminal, or a marine vessel transporting petroleum products       |
| 14 | to a refinery or terminal is in the bulk transfer/terminal         |
| 15 | system. Petroleum products in a motor fuel storage facility        |
| 16 | including, but not limited to, a bulk plant that is not part       |
| 17 | of a refinery or terminal, in the motor fuel supply tank of        |
| 18 | any engine or motor vehicle, or in any tank car, rail car,         |
| 19 | trailer, truck, or other equipment suitable for ground             |
| 20 | transportation is not in the bulk transfer/terminal system.        |
| 21 | " <del>(h)<u>(</u>o)</del> The inspection fee provided for in this |
| 22 | section is in addition to all other fees and all taxes payable     |
| 23 | with respect to petroleum products. The inspection fee shall       |
| 24 | be paid on the net gallons of dyed diesel fuel or dyed             |
| 25 | kerosene.  |
| 26 | " <u>(p) Aviation gasoline and aviation jet fuel is</u>            |
| 27 | exempt from the inspection fee.                                    |

| 1  | " <del>(i) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in</del>    |
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| 2  | this section, no inspection fee or penalty shall be due or      |
| 3  | payable with respect to petroleum products which are sold,      |
| 4  | offered for sale, stored, or used while they are in interstate  |
| 5  | or international commerce; but if, after such petroleum         |
| 6  | products are removed from interstate or international           |
| 7  | commerce, such petroleum products are sold, offered for sale,   |
| 8  | stored or used in the state, the fee provided for in this       |
| 9  | section shall be payable with respect to such petroleum         |
| 10 | products.   |
| 11 | " <del>(j) The Board of Agriculture and Industries shall</del>  |
| 12 | have authority to adopt and promulgate reasonable rules and     |
| 13 | regulations to effectuate the evident intent and purpose of     |
| 14 | this section with respect to reporting, collection,             |
| 15 | remittance, and payments of the petroleum products inspection   |
| 16 | fees imposed under this section which shall not conflict with   |
| 17 | any of the express provisions and requirements of this          |
| 18 | section.  |
| 19 | "§8-17-91.  |
| 20 | "(a) The proceeds from the permit fees, inspection              |
| 21 | fees, and penalties, if any, collected by the Commissioner of   |
| 22 | Agriculture and Industries and the Revenue Commissioner         |
| 23 | pursuant to the provisions of this division Section 8-17-87     |
| 24 | together with one-third of the proceeds of the six cent (\$.06) |
| 25 | additional motor fuel excise tax levied on gasoline under       |
| 26 | subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325, shall   |

be paid into the State Treasury and distributed by the State
 Treasurer as follows:

"(1) An amount equal to five percent or no less than
\$175,000, whichever is greater, of the <u>combined</u> proceeds
received each month shall accrue to the credit of, and be
deposited in, the Agricultural Fund; and

7 "(2) The balance of the proceeds shall be8 distributed as follows:

9 "a. 13.87 percent of the balance of the proceeds 10 shall be distributed equally among each of the 67 counties of 11 the state monthly. Such funds shall be used by the counties 12 for the following purpose:

"When the use is by a county, such use shall be for 13 14 the construction, including draining, grading, basing, paving, signing, and erosion items, of certain high density unpaved 15 roads as herein provided and for the construction or 16 17 reconstruction of bridges on such high density roads. The use may also be for the reconstruction, resurfacing, restoration, 18 and rehabilitation of the paved county roads and bridges or 19 20 bridge replacement on the county road system. The use may also 21 be for the construction, including draining, grading, basing, and paving of certain unpaved roads, and reconstruction of 22 23 certain paved roads accessing certain public and private 24 recreational facilities and areas.

25 "There is hereby created a committee to be referred
26 to as the Secondary Road Committee comprised of two county
27 engineers appointed by the Director of the State Department of

1 Transportation, two county commission members appointed by the 2 Governor, and the Chief of the Bureau of Secondary Roads. The 3 committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the 4 appointing authority. The committee shall elect one of its 5 members to serve as chairman. A quorum of the committee shall 6 consist of no less than three members. Committee members shall 7 serve without compensation.

"The Secondary Road Committee shall develop and 8 9 publish criteria for the designation of high density roads and 10 bridges and for the designation of eligible recreational 11 access roads. The committee may in its discretion provide 12 different criteria for counties according to population, 13 topography, and road mileage. The committee shall also develop 14 and publish minimum design standards, including allowable cost items, for the construction, reconstruction, surfacing, 15 resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation of such high 16 17 density roads and bridges and recreational access roads. Criteria and standards developed by the committee shall be 18 published by distributing printed copies thereof to the 19 chairman of each county commission in Alabama no later than 90 20 21 days after May 1, 1984. The committee may from time to time 22 amend the criteria and standards developed provided that at 23 least 60 days' notice is provided in writing to the chairman 24 of each county commission before the effective date of such 25 amendment. The State Department of Transportation shall 26 provide all supplies and clerical help necessary for the 27 committee to execute its responsibilities.

"County commissions are hereby required to submit all plans for the use of such proceeds to the Director of the State Department of Transportation or his designee for approval. The Director of the State Department of Transportation or his designee shall review all plans and approve them or disapprove them, based on the criteria and standards developed by the committee.

8 "The funds distributed to the counties under this 9 subsection shall not be commingled with other funds of the 10 county except the counties' portion of the auto license tax 11 distributed under Section 40-12-270(a)(1), as amended and 12 shall be kept and disbursed by such county from a special fund 13 only for the purposes hereinabove provided.

14 "The provisions of this section notwithstanding, any 15 county may at any time deposit all or any portion of such 16 proceeds into the county's special RRR Fund as provided for in 17 Section 40-17-224 <u>40-17-362</u>, and may use the proceeds so 18 deposited for any purpose authorized under said section.

19 "b. \$408,981 shall be allocated to the State 20 Department of Transportation monthly and deposited in the 21 State Treasury to the credit of the Public Road and Bridge 22 Fund. Such funds are hereby appropriated to the State 23 Department of Transportation to be used to match federal aid 24 discretionary funds that may from time to time become 25 available to the State Department of Transportation. In the event that in any fiscal year other State Department of 26 27 Transportation funds are insufficient to match the

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department's regular federal aid apportionment, then at the Director State Department of Transportation's recommendation and approval by the Governor funds appropriated under this subsection may be used to match said federal aid apportionment.

6 "c. 2.76 percent of the balance of the proceeds 7 shall be allocated among the incorporated municipalities of 8 the state as follows:

9 "1. A portion of the municipalities' share of the 10 balance of the proceeds that is equal to 45.45 percent of the 11 municipalities' share of the balance of the proceeds shall be 12 allocated equally among the 67 counties of the state.

13 "2. The entire residue of the municipalities' share 14 of the balance of the proceeds being an amount equal to 54.55 15 percent of the municipalities' share of the balance of the proceeds shall be allocated among the 67 counties of the state 16 17 on the basis of the ratio of the population of each such county to the total population of the state according to the 18 then next preceding federal decennial census, or any special 19 federal census heretofore held in any county subsequent to the 20 21 effective date of the 1980 federal decennial census.

"3. The amount so allocated or apportioned to each county shall be distributed among the municipalities in the county with respect to which the allocation or apportionment is made, each such distribution among the said municipalities to be on the basis of the ratio of the population of each such municipality to the total population of all municipalities in the applicable county according to the then next preceding
 federal decennial census.

"4. The population of any municipality incorporated 3 4 subsequent to the taking of the then next preceding federal decennial census shall be deemed to be the population shown by 5 6 the census for that municipality taken pursuant to the 7 requirements of Section 11-41-4. Any municipality incorporated after September, 1983, shall not participate in the 8 distribution provided for in this section until the fiscal 9 10 year next succeeding the fiscal year during which it is incorporated, the first distribution to such municipality to 11 12 be made in respect of receipts of the inspection fee by the 13 state during October of the fiscal year next succeeding the 14 said incorporation.

"5. Use of the inspection fee by a municipality 15 shall be for transportation planning, the construction, 16 17 reconstruction, maintenance, widening, alteration, and improvement of public roads, bridges, streets, and other 18 public ways, including payment of the principal of and 19 interest on any securities at any time issued by the 20 21 municipality pursuant to law for the payment of which any part 22 of the net tax proceeds were or may be lawfully pledged; 23 provided, that no part of the balance of the proceeds referred 24 to in this section shall be expended contrary to the 25 provisions of the Constitution; and provided further, that funds distributed to municipalities under the provisions of 26 27 this division shall not be commingled with other funds of the

1 municipality, except the municipalities' portion of the 2 highway gasoline tax, and shall be kept and disbursed by such 3 municipality from a special fund only for the purposes 4 hereinabove provided.

"d. An additional five percent of the balance each
month computed after deducting the distributions in paragraphs
a. and c. shall accrue to the credit of, and be deposited in,
the Agricultural Fund.

"e. In addition to any and all other funds 9 heretofore or hereafter appropriated, for the fiscal year 10 beginning October 1, 2014, there is appropriated to the 11 12 Department of Revenue as a first charge against the fees collected pursuant to this article, the sum of five hundred 13 14 thousand dollars (\$500,000) to offset the Revenue Department's 15 costs to implement and administer this article. Beginning October 1, 2015, and every year thereafter an amount equal to 16 17 two and one-half percent of the balance of the proceeds received each month after deducting the distributions in 18 paragraphs a., b., c., and d. or no less than eighty-seven 19 thousand five hundred dollars (\$87,500), whichever is greater, 20 21 is appropriated and shall accrue to the credit of, and be 22 deposited to, the Department of Revenue to offset its costs of 23 collection.

"e.f. The balance of the proceeds after a., b., c.,
and d., and e. above have been distributed monthly shall
accrue to the credit of and be deposited in the Public Road
and Bridge Fund.

"(b) In the event of the collection hereunder from 1 2 any person of an amount in excess of the amount of all permit fees, inspection fees, interest, or penalties properly and 3 4 lawfully required to be paid by such person, such person may apply to the Revenue Commissioner in the case of the 5 inspection fees, interest, and penalties paid to the Revenue 6 7 Commissioner. In the case of overpayment of the permit fees or penalties paid to the Commissioner of Agriculture and 8 Industries, the person may apply to the Commissioner of 9 10 Agriculture and Industries for a refund of the amount of such overpayment. If such application for refund is approved in 11 12 whole or in part by the commissioner, the commissioner shall 13 submit to the state Comptroller a statement, approved by the 14 state Attorney General, setting forth the amount determined to have been overpaid and the date of the overpayment. The If an 15 application for refund submitted to the Revenue Commissioner 16 17 is approved in whole or in part by the Revenue Commissioner, he or she shall submit to the state Comptroller a statement, 18 setting forth the amount determined to have been overpaid and 19 the date of the overpayment. In each case, the state 20 21 Comptroller shall then draw his warrant in favor of the person 22 making such overpayment upon the State Treasurer for the 23 amount specified in the said statement, and such amount shall 24 be paid out of current months' collections before any distribution is made under subsection (a) of this section. 25

"(c) The application for refund <u>of the permit fees</u>
provided for in this section must <u>article shall</u> be filed with

the Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries within 12 calendar months from the date upon which the overpayment was made, and no amount shall be refunded unless the application therefor is filed within the time prescribed herein.

"For any period prior to October 1, 2015, the 5 6 application for refund of the inspection fee provided for in 7 this article shall be filed with the Revenue Commissioner within 12 calendar months from the date upon which the 8 overpayment was made, and no amount shall be refunded unless 9 10 the application therefor is filed within the time prescribed herein. For the period beginning October 1, 2015, the 11 12 application for refund of the inspection fee provided for in 13 this article must be filed with the Revenue Commissioner 14 within the time limits provided by the Taxpayer Bill of Rights 15 in Chapter 2A of Title 40. No amount shall be approved for refund by the Revenue Commissioner unless the application 16 therefor is filed within the time prescribed therein. 17

18 "(d) The Department of Agriculture and Industries <u>or</u> 19 <u>the Department of Revenue</u> shall have authority to make and 20 issue rules and regulations relating to the procedure to be 21 followed in filing an application for a refund and for payment 22 of any refund made under this <u>section article</u>.

"(e) In the event of the collection from any person
by the Revenue Commissioner of an amount in excess of the
amount lawfully required for the six cent (\$.06) additional
motor fuel excise tax levied on gasoline under subdivision (1)
of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325, when one-third of the

1 amounts so collected have been deposited in the State Treasury
2 and distributed as provided herein, any refund properly
3 approved by the Revenue Commissioner shall be paid out of
4 current months' collections before any distribution of the
5 current months' collections is made under subsection (a) of
6 this section.

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"§8-17-92.

8 "(a) In addition to penalty and other enforcement 9 provisions of this division and notwithstanding the existence 10 of another adequate remedy, the circuit court shall have 11 jurisdiction for cause shown to grant a temporary restraining 12 order or permanent injunction, or both, restraining and 13 enjoining any person from violation or continuing to violate 14 any requirements of this division declared to be unlawful.

15 "(b) Any such person may also be restrained or enjoined from selling, offering for sale, storing, or using 16 17 any petroleum product without having a permit as required by this division Section 8-17-96, from selling, distributing, 18 offering for sale, storing, or using in this state any 19 petroleum product upon which the inspection fee imposed by 20 21 this division Section 8-17-87 is not paid or from otherwise 22 violating any of the provisions and requirements of this division Title 8, Chapter 17. 23

24 "(c) Such injunction or restraining order shall be25 issued without bond.

- "(d) Any action commenced under this section shall
   be brought in the name of the State of Alabama upon the
   relation of the Attorney General.
- 4 "§8-17-93.

"(a) Any person who sells, offers for sale, stores, 5 6 or uses any petroleum product in the state which is below the 7 legal standard, who makes a false statement or certificate as to the quantity or standard of such petroleum product, sells, 8 9 offers for sale, stores, or uses any petroleum product without having procured a permit as required by this division Section 10 11 8-17-85, fails to make any report to the Revenue Commissioner 12 of Agriculture and Industries as required by this division 13 article, makes a false certificate of the number of gallons of 14 such petroleum product sold, stored or used during the 15 preceding month or who otherwise violates or fails to comply with the provisions of this division article shall be guilty 16 17 of a misdemeanor.

"(b) The Commissioner of Agriculture and Industries 18 may revoke the permit, referenced in Section 8-17-85, of any 19 person found upon investigation to have sold, offered for 20 21 sale, stored, or used any petroleum product below the minimum 22 standards adopted by the Board of Agriculture and Industries 23 pursuant to the provisions of this division article or who 24 when the Revenue Commissioner has notified the Commissioner of 25 Agriculture and Industries that the taxpayer has failed or refused, after 10 days' notice by registered, or certified, 26 27 mail of such delinquency, subject to the appeal provisions of

<u>Chapter 2A of Title 40, to file the delinquent tax return or</u>
 to pay the inspection fee required by this division <u>article</u>.

"(c) The holder of any permit, referenced in Section 3 4 8-17-85, that may be revoked pursuant to the provisions of this section shall have the right, upon request of such 5 6 holder, to a hearing before the Commissioner of Agriculture 7 and Industries, at which such holder may appear personally or by legal representative, and he may appeal from the decision 8 of the commissioner by filing in the Circuit Court of 9 10 Montgomery County a petition for an injunction against the commissioner. In the event such an injunction is sought, 11 12 sufficient bond shall be filed with the court and conditioned 13 as the law now provides relative to injunction bonds. The 14 findings of the commissioner shall be presumed to be correct."

Section 2. Section 8-17-89, Code of Alabama 1975, is
repealed.

Section 3. Sections 8-17-95, 8-17-96, 8-17-97, 8-17-98, 8-17-99, 8-17-100, 8-17-101, and 8-17-102 are added to Chapter 17, Article 5, Title 8 of the Code of Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

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§8-17-95.

(a) There is hereby imposed a floor-stocks
inspection fee on gasoline held in inventory outside of the
bulk transfer/terminal system, as defined in Section
40-17-322, but not at the retail level, on October 1, 2015,
if:

(1) No inspection fee was imposed on the gasoline
 under Section 8-17-87, as of September 30, 2015; and

3 (2) The inspection fee would have been imposed on
4 the gasoline by this article had it been in effect for the
5 periods prior to October 1, 2015.

6 (b) The rate of the inspection fee imposed by this 7 section shall be the amount of the fee imposed under Section 8 8-17-87, on September 30, 2015.

9 (c) Any person owning gasoline on October 1, 2015, 10 to which the inspection fee imposed by this section applies, 11 shall be liable for the inspection fee. The inspection fee 12 imposed by this section shall be paid on or before December 13 31, 2015, and shall be paid in the manner prescribed by the 14 Department of Revenue.

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§8-17-96.

(a) The supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline 16 17 or undyed diesel fuel sold to a licensed exempt entity other than the federal government at the rack or the person first 18 selling, the person importing, or the person who makes 19 application to become a bonded distributor of dyed diesel 20 21 fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil in this state shall 22 submit an application for an inspection fee permit to the 23 Department of Revenue, which shall be approved by the 24 Department of Revenue. Upon approval of the inspection fee application, the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline 25 26 or undyed diesel fuel sold to a licensed exempt entity other than the federal government by a supplier or permissive 27

1 supplier at the rack or the first person selling, the person 2 importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil shall file with the Department of 3 4 Revenue a bond in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) prior to the issuance of an inspection fee permit. The bond 5 6 shall be in such form and amount as may be approved by the 7 Revenue Commissioner, shall be executed by a surety company licensed and duly authorized to do business in Alabama, shall 8 be payable to the State of Alabama and shall be conditioned 9 10 upon the prompt filing of true reports and the payment by the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel 11 12 fuel sold to a licensed exempt entity other than the federal 13 government by a supplier or permissive supplier at the rack or 14 the first person selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating 15 oil to the Department of Revenue of all inspection fees which 16 17 are imposed by Section 8-17-87 with respect to gasoline, undyed diesel fuel, dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or 18 lubricating oil, together with all penalties and interest 19 thereon, and generally upon faithful compliance with the 20 21 provisions of this division. Upon approval of the required bond, the Revenue Department shall issue to the applicant an 22 23 inspection fee permit. This permit is not transferable and remains in effect until surrendered or canceled. 24

(b) In the event that liability upon any bond filed
under the provisions of this subsection shall be discharged or
reduced, whether by judgment entered, payment made, or

otherwise, or if in the opinion of the Revenue Commissioner any surety on the bond theretofore given shall become unsatisfactory or unacceptable, then the Revenue Commissioner may require the filing of a new or additional bond conditioned as hereinabove provided.

6 (c) The Department of Revenue shall notify a permit 7 holder at his or her last known address by first class U.S. mail or, at the option of the Department of Revenue, certified 8 9 mail, return receipt requested, that it is requiring such new or additional bond for any reason as provided above, and the 10 permit holder, within 30 days from the date such notice is 11 12 mailed by the Department of Revenue, shall (1) file the new or 13 additional bond as requested by the Department of Revenue, or 14 (2) file a notice of appeal with the Administrative Law 15 Division as allowed in Section 40-2A-8. The Department of Revenue may immediately cancel the permit upon the expiration 16 17 of the 30-day appeal period set out in Section 40-2A-8 if the permit holder fails to either provide the new or additional 18 bond requested by the Department of Revenue or timely appeal 19 to the Administrative Law Division. 20

(d) The total amount of bond or bonds to be given by any supplier, permissive supplier, importer, first seller, or bonded distributor under this subsection shall in no event be less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000); except that the Revenue Commissioner may require such additional bond as may be deemed necessary to insure the prompt payment of all inspection fees on the sale of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel

sold to exempt entities, other than the federal government, by 1 2 the supplier or permissive supplier at the terminal rack or on the sale of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating 3 4 oil due, or to become due, the state by the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to 5 6 exempt entities, other than the federal government, by the 7 supplier or permissive supplier at the terminal rack or by the person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded 8 distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating 9 10 oil.

(e) Any surety on any bond furnished by the supplier 11 12 or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel sold 13 to exempt entities, other than the federal government by the 14 supplier or permissive supplier at the terminal rack or by 15 person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating 16 oil, as above provided, shall be released and discharged from 17 any and all liability to the State of Alabama accruing on such 18 bond after the expiration of 30 days from the date upon which 19 surety shall have filed with the Department of Revenue written 20 21 request to be released and discharged; provided, however, that 22 such request shall not operate to relieve, release or 23 discharge such surety from any liability already accrued or 24 which shall accrue before the expiration of such 30-day 25 period. The Revenue Commissioner shall promptly, upon receipt 26 of notice of such request, notify the supplier or permissive 27 supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to exempt entities,

1 other than the federal government or the person first selling, 2 the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil who furnished such 3 4 bond of the request of the surety on the bond and, unless such supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel 5 6 fuel to exempt entities, other than the federal government or 7 the person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating 8 oil shall file, on or before the expiration of such 30-day 9 10 period, with the Department of Revenue a new bond in the amount and form hereinbefore in this subsection provided, the 11 12 Revenue Commissioner shall cancel the permit of the supplier 13 or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to 14 exempt entities, other than the federal government or the person first selling, person importing, or the bonded 15 distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating 16 17 oil in accordance with the provisions of Section 40-2A-8.

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§8-17-97.

(a) It shall be the duty of the person first selling 19 dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil in this 20 21 state or importing dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil into the state, on which an inspection fee is 22 23 due to collect and pay such inspection fee to the Department 24 of Revenue each month in respect of all dyed diesel fuel, dyed 25 kerosene, or lubricating oil sold or imported in the state 26 during the preceding month unless the purchaser is a bonded 27 distributor.

1 (b) It shall be the duty of the supplier or 2 permissive supplier to collect the inspection fee imposed by this article from the licensed exempt entity unless the 3 4 licensed exempt entity is an entity of the federal government on sales at the terminal rack and remit payment each month in 5 6 respect of all gasoline or undyed diesel fuel sold in the 7 state during the preceding month to licensed exempt entities other than the federal government. 8

9 (c) Each supplier, permissive supplier, importer, 10 first seller, or bonded distributor shall file the monthly 11 returns and monthly remittance, in a format prescribed by the 12 Revenue Commissioner, on or before the 20th day of each 13 calendar month for the preceding month with the Department of 14 Revenue. The taxpayer is required to file an electronic report 15 through the Department of Revenue's electronic filing system.

(d) The inspection fee provided for in this section 16 17 shall be paid but once with respect to the same product; but in the event any person fails to make the required electronic 18 report or payment as herein provided on or before the date 19 such payment is due, the Revenue Commissioner shall add to the 20 21 inspection fee already due interest as prescribed in Section 22 40-1-44 and any applicable penalties as prescribed in Chapter 23 2A of Title 40. The Revenue Commissioner shall then proceed to 24 collect the inspection fee, together with the interest and 25 penalties, in accordance with the provisions of Title 40.

(e) The inspection fee, interest, and any penalties
added thereto shall constitute and operate as a lien at all

times until paid upon any petroleum products sold, offered for sale, stored, or used in the state by the person liable for the fee, and shall be immediately enforceable by the Revenue Commissioner in accordance with established collection procedures of the Department of Revenue.

6 (f) The Revenue Commissioner shall have authority to 7 adopt and promulgate reasonable rules and regulations to 8 effectuate the evident intent and purpose of this section with 9 respect to reporting, collection, remittance, and payments of 10 the petroleum products inspection fees imposed under this 11 article which shall not conflict with any of the express 12 provisions and requirements of this section.

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§8-17-98.

(a) Having submitted a refund petition for the
excise tax under the provisions of Section 40-17-329(h), the
following ultimate consumers shall owe an inspection fee to
the Department of Revenue at a reduced rate of one-fortieth of
a cent (\$.00025) per gallon on undyed diesel fuel. The
Department of Revenue is authorized to reduce the excise tax
refund by the amount of the inspection fee that is due.

(1) Undyed diesel fuel used by the ultimate consumer
to operate boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles,
whether such boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles
are used commercially or for pleasure.

(2) Undyed diesel fuel used by the ultimate consumer
to propel or operate tractors which are not operated on public
highways but which are used exclusively in preparing and

cultivating land, harvesting any agricultural commodity, or for other agricultural purposes, including pasture and hay production; provided, however, that the term "tractors" as used herein shall not include automobiles, trucks, pickups, trailers, semitrailers, or other such vehicles.

6 (3) Undyed diesel fuel used to propel railroad7 locomotives.

8 (4) Undyed diesel fuel used by the ultimate consumer 9 as a solvent or other agent in the treatment or preservation 10 of wood products.

(b) Having submitted a refund petition for the excise tax under the provisions of Section 40-17-329(h) on undyed diesel fuel used by the ultimate consumer in firing steam boilers or combustion generating turbines by compression, the ultimate consumer shall be exempt from the inspection fee on undyed diesel fuel used in firing steam boilers or combustion generating turbines by compression.

(c) If a refund is issued by the Department of
Revenue for excise taxes levied under Section 40-17-325(1) on
gasoline or Section 40-17-325(2) on undyed diesel fuel for
sales to the United States government or any agency thereof,
the inspection fee levied under this article shall not be due.

(d) If a refund is issued by the Department of
Revenue for excise taxes levied under Section 40-17-325(1) on
gasoline or Section 40-17-325(2) on undyed diesel exported out
of Alabama, the inspection fee levied under this article shall
not be due.

1 §8-17-99. (a) The person first selling, the person importing, 2 or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene 3 4 may take a deduction on the monthly return for sales of dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene to the following: 5 (1) United States Government. 6 7 (2) Exports by the bonded distributor. (3) Sales from one Alabama bonded distributor to 8 another Alabama bonded distributor. 9 10 (4) Sales to the ultimate consumer for use in firing 11 steam boilers or combustion generating turbines by 12 compression. 13 (b) The person first selling, the person importing, 14 or the bonded distributor of lubricating oil may take a deduction on the monthly return for sales of lubricating oil 15 to the following: 16 17 (1) United States Government (2) Exports by the bonded distributor 18 (3) Sales from one Alabama bonded distributor to 19 another Alabama bonded distributor 20 21 §8-17-100. 22 (a) The Department of Revenue may refuse to issue an 23 inspection fee permit under this article if the applicant or 24 any principal of the applicant has done any of the following: (1) Had a motor fuel license or registration issued 25 26 by this state or another state canceled for cause.

(2) Been convicted of any offense involving fraud or
 misrepresentation.

3 (3) Been convicted of any other offense that
4 indicates that the applicant may not comply with this article
5 if issued an inspection fee permit.

6 (b) The Department of Revenue may also refuse to 7 issue an inspection fee permit if the applicant is in arrears 8 to the state for any taxes or fees or for other good cause 9 shown.

10 (c) Any refusal by the Department of Revenue under 11 this section to issue an inspection fee permit may be appealed 12 to the Administrative Law Division under the provisions of 13 Title 40, Chapter 2A.

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§8-17-101.

(a) In accordance with the provisions of Title 40,
Chapter 2A, the Department of Revenue may cancel the
inspection fee permit required under Section 8-17-96, upon
written notice sent to the permit holder's last known address,
as it appears in the Department of Revenue's files, for any of
the following reasons:

(1) Filing by the permit holder of a false report of
the data or information required by this article.

(2) Failure, refusal, or neglect of the permit
holder to file a report or to provide any information required
by this article.

(3) Failure of the permit holder to pay the full
 amount of all excise taxes and inspection fees due or to pay
 any penalties or interest due.

4 (4) Failure of the permit holder to keep accurate
5 records of the quantities of petroleum products received,
6 produced, refined, manufactured, compounded, sold, imported,
7 or used in Alabama.

8 (5) Failure to file a new or additional surety bond 9 upon request of the Department of Revenue pursuant to Section 10 40-17-96.

(6) Conviction of the permit holder or a principal of the permit holder for any act prohibited under this article.

14 (7) Failure, refusal, or neglect of a permit holder
15 to comply with any other provision of this article or any rule
16 promulgated pursuant to this article.

17 (8) Having a motor fuel license or registration18 issued by this state or another state canceled for cause.

19 (9) For any change in the ownership or control of20 the business.

(b) Upon cancellation of any permit for any cause listed above, the inspection fee levied under this article becomes due and payable on all untaxed petroleum products held in storage or otherwise in the possession of the permit holder and all petroleum products sold, delivered, imported, or used prior to the cancellation on which the fee has not been paid. (c) The permit can be canceled upon the written
 request of the permit holder.

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§8-17-102.

Every return required to be filed under this article shall be on forms and by means prescribed by the Revenue Commissioner and furnished by the Department of Revenue and shall contain any information the Department of Revenue considers necessary for the enforcement of this article.

9 Section 4. Sections 40-17-325, 40-17-329, as amended
10 by Act 2013-200 and Act 2013-372, 2013 Regular Session,
11 40-17-359, and 40-17-362, as amended by Act 2013-372 and Act
12 2013-402, 2013 Regular Session, Code of Alabama 1975, are
13 amended to read as follows:

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"§40-17-325.

"(a) Subject to the exemptions provided for in this article, the tax is imposed on net gallons of motor fuel according to Section 40-17-326 at the following rates:

"(1) Sixteen Eighteen cents (\$.18) per gallon on
gasoline, which is comprised of a \$.07 excise tax, a
supplemental \$.05 excise tax, and an additional \$.04 six cent
(\$.06) excise tax.

"(2) Nineteen cents per gallon on diesel fuel,
comprised of a \$.13 excise tax and an additional \$.06 excise
tax.

"(3) Nine and one-half cents per gallon (\$.095) on aviation gasoline and three and one-half cents per gallon (\$.035) on aviation jet fuel when the aviation fuel is sold to a licensed aviation fuel purchaser. Aviation gasoline is to be
 taxed as gasoline and aviation jet fuel is to be taxed as
 diesel fuel when not sold to a licensed aviation fuel
 purchaser.

5 "(b) The motor fuel subject to the excise tax levied 6 by this section shall not be subject to any other excise tax 7 levied by this state.

8 "However, the payment of the motor fuel excise tax 9 levied by this section shall not exempt the seller or importer 10 of fuel from the license fees levied by Section 40-17-174.

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"§40-17-329.

"(a) Unless otherwise provided for in this subsection, sales of motor fuel to the following are exempt from the tax levied by subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325 and shall not be paid at the rack:

"(1) All motor fuel exported from this state for 16 17 which proof of export is available in the form of a terminal issued destination state shipping document that is a. exported 18 by a supplier who is licensed in the destination state or b. 19 20 is sold by a supplier to a licensed exporter for immediate 21 export to a state for which the applicable destination state motor fuel excise tax has been collected by the supplier who 22 23 is licensed to remit the tax to the destination state. If the 24 motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due to the product 25 being exported from this state, then the motor fuel exported 26 from this state shall also be exempt from the inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87. This exemption shall not apply 27

to any motor fuel which is transported and delivered outside
 this state in the motor fuel supply tank of a highway vehicle.

"(2) All K-1 Kerosene or aviation jet fuel that is 3 4 produced at a refinery in this state and is either exported from this state directly by the operator of that refinery or 5 6 is sold for immediate export by the operator to a licensed 7 exporter. In either case proof of export is to be available in the form of a terminal destination state shipping document and 8 in addition all relevant sales documents are to reference the 9 10 product known as "K-1 Kerosene" or "aviation jet fuel," as applicable. If the K-1 Kerosene is exempt from the excise tax 11 12 due to the product being exported from this state, then the 13 K-1 Kerosene that is exported shall also be exempt from the 14 inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87.

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"(3) All sales of dyed diesel fuel.

"(4) Gasoline blendstocks or cellulosic biofuel, as 16 17 defined in Section 40-17-322, when sold to a. a licensed supplier or b. a person who will not be using the blendstocks 18 or cellulosic biofuel in the manufacture of gasoline or as a 19 motor fuel, as evidenced by the exemption certificate 20 21 prescribed under regulations promulgated under Section 4081, 22 Title 26 of the United States Code. If the gasoline 23 blendstocks or cellulosic biofuel is exempt from the excise 24 tax due to the product being sold to a licensed supplier or to 25 a person who will not be using the blendstocks or cellulosic 26 biofuel in the manufacture of gasoline or as a motor fuel, 27 then the gasoline blendstocks or cellulosic biofuel shall also be exempt from the inspection fee imposed under Section
 8-17-87.

"(5) All motor fuel sold by a licensed supplier or 3 4 licensed permissive supplier to an exempt agency electing to be licensed under Section 40-17-332. If the motor fuel is 5 exempt from the excise tax due to the product being sold to 6 7 the United States government or any agency thereof, who is a licensed exempt entity in this state, then the motor fuel sold 8 to the United States government or any agency thereof shall 9 10 also be exempt from the inspection fee imposed under Section 11 8-17-87. If the motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due 12 to the product being sold to a licensed exempt entity, other than the federal government, then the motor fuel sold to the 13 14 licensed exempt entity shall be subject to the inspection fee 15 imposed under Section 8-17-87 and the inspection fee shall be remitted by the supplier or permissive supplier on the monthly 16 17 inspection fee return.

18 "(6) Motor fuel that is delivered by a licensed 19 supplier from one terminal to another terminal when ownership in the motor fuel has not changed, or by a licensed supplier 20 21 from a terminal to a refinery operated by the licensed 22 supplier. If the motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due to the product being transferred from one terminal to another 23 24 terminal, then the motor fuel transferred from one terminal to 25 another terminal shall also be exempt from the inspection fee 26 imposed under Section 8-17-87.

1 "(b) Having first paid the tax owed under this 2 article, a licensed distributor shall have the right to apply to the department on a monthly basis for a refund of the taxes 3 4 paid on the gallons sold by that licensed distributor to the exempt agencies listed under subsection (e), provided the 5 exempt agency has elected to obtain a license under Section 6 7 40-17-332. If the motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due to the product being sold to the United States government or 8 any agency thereof, who is a licensed exempt entity in this 9 10 state, then the motor fuel sold to the United States government or any agency thereof shall also be exempt from the 11 12 inspection fee imposed by Section 8-17-87. If the motor fuel 13 is exempt from the excise tax due to the product being sold to 14 a licensed exempt entity, other than the federal government, 15 then the motor fuel sold to the licensed exempt entity shall be subject to the inspection fee imposed under Section 16 17 8-17-87. The department is authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount of the inspection fee that is due. 18

19 "(c) Having first paid the tax owed under this article, an exporter shall have the right to apply to the 20 21 department on a monthly basis for a refund of the taxes paid 22 to this state on the gallons of motor fuel that are ultimately 23 exported by the exporter. The department will require the 24 exporter to provide proof of payment of the applicable destination state excise taxes before issuing a refund. If the 25 26 motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due to the product being exported from this state, then the motor fuel exported 27

from this state shall also be exempt from the inspection fee
 imposed under Section 8-17-87.

"(d) Having first paid the tax owed under this 3 4 article, a licensed aviation fuel purchaser shall have the right to apply to the department on a monthly basis for a 5 6 refund of the taxes paid to this state on the gallons of jet 7 fuel sold to a certificated or licensed air carrier that purchases jet fuel within this state and uses the jet fuel to 8 propel aircraft powered by jet or turbine engines operated in 9 10 scheduled all-cargo operations being conducted on international flights or in international commerce. For the 11 12 purposes of this subsection, the following words or terms 13 shall be defined and interpreted as follows:

14 "(1) AIR CARRIER. Any person, firm, corporation, or 15 entity undertaking by any means, directly or indirectly, to 16 provide air transportation.

"(2) ALL-CARGO OPERATIONS. Any flight conducted by
an air carrier for compensation or hire other than a passenger
carrying flight, except passengers as specified in Section
121.583 (a) or 135.85 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, as
amended.

"(3) INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE. Any air carrier engaged in all-cargo operations transporting goods for compensation or hire on international flights.

"(4) INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS. Any air carrier
 conducting scheduled all-cargo operations between any point
 within the 50 states of the United States and the District of

1 Columbia and any point outside the 50 states of the United 2 States and the District of Columbia, including any interim 3 stops within the United States so long as the ultimate origin 4 or destination of the aircraft is outside the United States 5 and the District of Columbia.

6 "(e) Having first paid the tax to its vendor, the 7 following entities shall have the right to apply to the 8 department for a refund on a quarterly basis for any purchases 9 of motor fuel:

"(1) The United States government or any agency
thereof. If the motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due
to the product being sold to the United States government or
any agency thereof, which is a licensed exempt entity in this
state, then the motor fuel sold to the United States
government or any agency thereof shall also be exempt from the
inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87.

17 "(2) Any county governing body of this state. If the motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due to the product 18 being sold to a licensed exempt entity, which is a county 19 governing body, then the motor fuel sold to the licensed 20 21 exempt entity shall be subject to the inspection fee imposed 22 under Section 8-17-87. The department is authorized to reduce 23 the excise tax refund by the amount of the inspection fee that 24 is due.

"(3) Any incorporated municipal governing body of
this state. If the motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax
due to the product being sold to a licensed exempt entity,

1 which is an incorporated municipal governing body, then the 2 motor fuel sold to the licensed exempt entity shall be subject 3 to the inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87. The 4 department is authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by 5 the amount of the inspection fee that is due.

"(4) City and county boards of education of this 6 7 state. If the motor fuel is exempt from the excise tax due to the product being sold to a licensed exempt entity, which is a 8 city or county board of education, then the motor fuel sold to 9 10 the licensed exempt entity shall be subject to the inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87. The department is 11 12 authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount of 13 the inspection fee that is due.

"(5) The Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, the 14 15 Department of Youth Services school district, and private and church school systems as defined in Section 16-28-1, and which 16 17 offer essentially the same curriculum as offered in grades K-12 in the public schools of this state. If the motor fuel is 18 exempt from the excise tax due to the product being sold to a 19 licensed exempt entity, as listed herein, then the motor fuel 20 21 sold to the licensed exempt entity shall be subject to the 22 inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87. The department 23 is authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount of 24 the inspection fee that is due.

25 "(f) If the sale of taxable motor fuel to exempt 26 entities listed in subsection (e) occurs at a fixed retail 27 pump available to the general public and is charged to a

1 credit card issued to the exempt entity, the issuer of the 2 card, having billed the exempt entity without the tax, may apply on a quarterly basis for a refund of the motor fuel 3 4 excise taxes by submitting the application and supporting documentation as prescribed by the department. If the motor 5 6 fuel is exempt from the excise tax due to the product being 7 sold to the United States government or any agency thereof, which is a licensed exempt entity in this state, then the 8 motor fuel sold to the United States government or any agency 9 10 thereof shall also be exempt from the inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87. If the motor fuel is exempt from the 11 12 excise tax due to the product being sold to any of the entities listed in subdivisions (2) through (5) of subsection 13 14 (e), which is a licensed exempt entity in this state, then the 15 motor fuel sold to the entities listed in subdivisions (2) through (5) of subsection (e) shall be subject to the 16 17 inspection fee imposed under Section 8-17-87. The department is authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount of 18 the inspection fee that is due. 19

"(g) Having first paid the tax, a licensed air carrier with a hub operation within this state shall have the right to apply to the department for a refund on a quarterly basis for any purchases of jet fuel used to propel aircraft. For the purposes of this subsection, the words "hub operation within this state" shall be construed to have all of the following criteria: "(1) There originates from the location 15 or more flight departures and five or more different first-stop destinations five days per week for six or more months during the calendar year; and

5 "(2) Passengers and/or property are regularly
6 exchanged at the location between flights of the same or a
7 different certificated or licensed air carrier.

"(h) End users who first pay the tax levied by 8 subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325 on all 9 10 gallons of diesel fuel used in designated off-road vehicles, other off-road equipment, or for other off-road use may apply 11 12 to the department for a refund on a quarterly basis. The end 13 users who apply for a refund under this subsection shall be 14 subject to the inspection fee levied under Section 8-17-87 15 unless the end user is taxed at a reduced rate or exempt from the inspection fee under Section 8-17-98. The department is 16 17 authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount of the inspection fee that is due. 18

"(i) End users who first pay the tax levied by
subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325 on
gallons of gasoline blendstocks not used in the manufacture of
gasoline or as a motor fuel may apply to the department for a
refund on a quarterly basis. <u>The end user shall be exempt from</u>
the inspection fee on blendstocks not used in the manufacture
of gasoline or as a motor fuel.

"(j) Tax paid on motor fuel that (1) is lost or
destroyed as a direct result of a sudden and unexpected

casualty, or (2) becomes unsalable or unusable as highway fuel due to such things as the contamination by dye or mixture of gasoline and diesel shall be refundable. <u>If a refund is issued</u> <u>for the excise tax due to a casualty or contamination, the</u> <u>inspection fee levied under Section 8-17-87 shall not be due.</u>

6 "(k) Tax paid on transmix not used as a motor fuel 7 or that is delivered to a refinery for further processing shall be refundable, with the person so using the transmix 8 being eligible to file for the refund on a quarterly basis or 9 10 if a licensed supplier, a credit may be taken on its monthly supplier return. If a refund or credit is issued for the 11 excise tax on transmix, the inspection fee levied under 12 13 Section 8-17-87 shall not be due.

"(1) Tax paid on motor fuel within the bulk transfer 14 system may be refunded upon sufficient proof that (1) a second 15 tax had been paid pursuant to Section 40-17-325 or (2) the 16 17 fuel was exported to another state or country. The party paying the second tax or exporting the fuel may file for a 18 refund on a monthly basis. If a refund is issued for the 19 excise tax due to payment of a second tax or exported in the 20 bulk transfer system, the inspection fee levied under Section 21 22 <u>8-17-87 shall not be due.</u>

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"§40-17-359.

24 "(a) For the purpose of this section, the following25 terms shall have the meanings ascribed below:

"(1) BASE ANNUAL COUNTY DISTRIBUTION. Five hundred
fifty thousand dollars (\$550,000).

"(2) COST OF COLLECTION. The amounts from the 1 2 proceeds of the highway gasoline tax that may be appropriated by the Legislature to the department for its operating 3 4 expenses. "(3) COUNTY. Each county in the state. 5 "(4) FISCAL YEAR. The fiscal year of the state. 6 7 "(5) DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. The Department of Transportation of the state. 8 "(6) HIGHWAY GASOLINE TAX. Both of the following: 9 10 "a. The excise tax levied under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325, with the exception of 11 12 those portions of the tax levied on aviation fuel and marine 13 gasoline. "b. The excise tax levied by Sections 40-17-140 to 14 15 40-17-155, inclusive, except that portion of the tax imposed on diesel fuel. 16 "(7) LOCAL SUBDIVISIONS' SHARES OF THE NET TAX 17 PROCEEDS. The 55 percent of the net tax proceeds referred to 18 in the first sentence of subsection (d). 19 20 "(8) MUNICIPALITY. An incorporated city or town in 21 the state. 22 "(9) NET TAX PROCEEDS. The entire proceeds from the 23 highway gasoline tax, except the proceeds from the supplemental excise tax of five cents (\$.05) per gallon and 24 25 additional four six cents (\$.04) (\$.06) imposed by subdivision 26 (1) of subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325, less the cost of

collection and less any refunds pursuant to the provisions of
 this article.

"(10) PUBLIC HIGHWAY. Every highway, road, street, 3 4 alley, lane, court, place, trail, drive, bridge, viaduct, or trestle located either within a municipality or in 5 unincorporated territory and laid out or erected by the public 6 7 or dedicated or abandoned to the public or intended for use by or for the public. The term "public highway" shall apply to 8 and include driveways upon the grounds of universities, 9 10 colleges, schools, and institutions but shall not be deemed to include private driveways, private roads, or private places 11 12 not intended for use by the public.

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"(11) STATE. The State of Alabama.

"(12) STATE'S SHARE OF THE NET TAX PROCEEDS. The 45
percent of the net tax proceeds referred to in the first
sentence of subsection (c).

17 "(13) SUPPLEMENTAL NET TAX PROCEEDS. That portion of the highway gasoline tax remaining after the deduction of the 18 19 net tax proceeds and additional four cents (\$.04) and 20 applicable costs of collection and refunds have been deducted, 21 one-third of all revenues received or collected by the 22 department remaining after the payment of refunds from the additional six cents (\$.06) tax levied on gasoline under 23 24 Section 40-17-325(a)(1) and two-thirds revenues received or 25 collected by the department after the payment of refunds and the expense of administration and enforcement of this article 26 27 from the additional six cents (\$.06) tax levied on gasoline

1 <u>under Section 40-17-325(a)(1)</u>, less the cost of collection and 2 less any refunds of the highway gasoline tax applicable to the 3 supplemental gasoline excise tax imposed in subdivision (1) of 4 subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325.

5 "The foregoing definitions shall be deemed 6 applicable whether terms defined are used in the singular or 7 plural.

8 "(b) The revenue, less the cost of collection and 9 refunds authorized by law, from the seven cents (\$.07) excise 10 tax and the supplemental excise tax of five cents (\$.05) per 11 gallon on gasoline, shall not be used for any purposes other 12 than the following:

13 "(1) The Legislature hereby finds as a fact that of 14 all the gasoline sold in this state not less than one and twenty-three hundredths percent thereof is used for marine 15 purposes to propel vessels on inland and coastal waterways of 16 17 this state. The Legislature hereby declares that it is the policy of this state to use the funds derived pursuant to this 18 section from the sale of marine gasoline to provide for the 19 programs and activities of the Marine Police, Marine 20 21 Resources, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Divisions of 22 the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in this 23 state as follows:

"a. Thirty-five one hundredths of one percent of all
state imposed taxes collected pursuant to this subsection on
the sale of gasoline, except gasoline and other fuels consumed
in airplanes, shall be credited as follows: 60 percent to the

State Water Safety Fund of the Marine Police Division and 40
 percent to the Seafood Fund of the Marine Resources Division.

"b. An amount equal to seventy-one hundredths of one 3 4 percent of all state-imposed taxes levied pursuant to this subsection and collected on the sale of gasoline, except 5 gasoline and other fuels consumed in airplanes, and which 6 7 would otherwise be credited to the Public Road and Bridge Fund pursuant to this section shall be credited to the Game and 8 Fish Fund of the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater 9 10 Fisheries. Provided, however, that the above credit to the 11 Game and Fish Fund shall not diminish the allocations provided 12 by subsection (d).

13 "c. An amount equal to eighteen one hundredths of 14 one percent of all state-imposed taxes levied pursuant to this 15 subsection and collected on the sale of gasoline, except gasoline and other fuels consumed in airplanes, and which 16 17 would otherwise be credited to the Public Road and Bridge Fund pursuant to this section shall be credited as follows: 60 18 percent to the State Water Safety Fund of the Marine Police 19 Division and 40 percent to the Seafood Fund of the Marine 20 21 Resources Division. Provided, however, that this additional 22 credit to the State Water Safety Fund and Seafood Fund shall 23 not diminish the allocations provided by subsection (d).

"(2) The revenue arising from the sale of gasoline as herein defined, except gasoline sold for use as fuel to propel aircraft and which gasoline is subject to the tax imposed in subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of Section

1 40-17-325, and except for revenues from the supplemental net 2 tax proceeds, for all other purposes shall not be used for any purpose other than for the construction, improvement, 3 4 maintenance, and supervision of highways, bridges, and streets, including the retirement of bonds for the payment of 5 6 which such revenues have been or may hereafter be pledged. The 7 payment of the per diem and mileage of members of county governing bodies when engaged in supervising the construction, 8 improvement, and maintenance of highways, bridges, and streets 9 10 shall be construed as used in supervision. The governing body 11 of each county may expend an amount not to exceed one third of 12 the total amount of such revenue that may be received by such 13 county in the payment of any debt that may have been incurred 14 by such county for the construction or maintenance of roads or bridges. This fund shall be allocated in the manner now 15 provided by law. On the 20th day of each month following that 16 17 quarter of any fiscal year, all revenue derived from the sale of gasoline to be consumed in the motor of a boat or vessel as 18 defined in subdivision (1) shall be allocated to the State 19 Water Safety Fund, Seafood Fund, and Game and Fish Fund. 20

"(c) Distribution of forty-five percent of net tax
proceeds shall be distributed as follows:

"(1) Forty-five percent of the net tax proceeds are
hereby allocated and appropriated for state highway purposes
and as the state's share of the net tax proceeds to be covered
into the State Treasury to the credit of the Public Road and

Bridge Fund and to be disbursed as hereinafter provided in
 this section.

"(2) A portion of the state's share of the net tax 3 4 proceeds that is equal in amount to two sevenths (equivalent to six twenty-firsts) of the net tax proceeds shall be 5 6 disbursed, to pay at their respective maturities the principal 7 of and interest on the bonds issued prior to March 1, 1967, by the Alabama Highway Authority, a public corporation organized 8 and existing under the provisions of Sections 23-1-150 to 9 10 23-1-160, inclusive, in the order in which the two sevenths of the net tax proceeds were pledged for the bonds. 11

12 "(3) A portion of the state's share of the net tax 13 proceeds that is equal in amount to two twenty-firsts of the 14 net tax proceeds shall be disbursed to pay at their respective 15 maturities the principal of and interest on the bonds issued 16 prior to March 1, 1967, by the Alabama Highway Authority, in 17 the order in which the two twenty-firsts of the net tax 18 proceeds were pledged for the bonds.

19 "(4) A portion of the state's share of the net tax proceeds that is equal in amount to one twenty-first of the 20 21 net tax proceeds shall be disbursed to pay at their respective 22 maturities the principal of and interest on the bonds issued 23 by the Alabama Highway Authority after March 1, 1959, and 24 prior to March 1, 1967, in the order in which the one 25 twenty-first of the net tax proceeds was pledged for the bonds. 26

"(5) The residue of the state's share of the net tax proceeds remaining after provision shall have been made out of the aforesaid nine twenty-firsts of the net tax proceeds for payment of the obligations referred to in the foregoing subdivisions (2), (3), and (4) shall be disbursed for the following purposes, in the following order and to the extent necessary:

"a. For payment at their respective maturities of 8 9 the principal of and interest on bonds, other than refunding 10 bonds, issued by the Alabama Highway Authority under the provisions of Act No. 225, 1967 Special Session (Acts 1967, p. 11 12 302), to the extent that the portion of the motor vehicle 13 license taxes and registration fees provided in Section 14 40-12-270, to be used for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds, other than refunding bonds, issued by 15 the Alabama Highway Authority under the provisions of Act No. 16 17 225, should be insufficient to pay the principal and interest at their respective maturities. 18

"b. For payment at their respective maturities of 19 the principal of and interest on the bonds, other than 20 21 refunding bonds, issued by the Alabama Highway Authority under 22 the provisions of Act No. 781, 1969 Regular Session (Acts 23 1969, p. 1398), to the extent that the portion of the motor 24 vehicle license taxes and registration fees provided in 25 Section 40-12-270, to be used for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds, other than refunding bonds, 26 27 issued by the Alabama Highway Authority under the provisions

of Act No. 781, should be insufficient to pay the principal
 and interest at their respective maturities.

"c. For payment at their respective maturities of 3 4 the principal of and interest on the bonds, other than refunding bonds, issued by the Alabama Highway Authority under 5 the provisions of Act No. 1416, 1971 Regular Session (Acts 6 7 1971, p. 2412), to the extent that the portion of the motor vehicle license taxes and registration fees provided in 8 Section 40-12-270, to be used for the payment of the principal 9 of and interest on the bonds, other than refunding bonds, 10 issued by the Alabama Highway Authority under the provisions 11 of Act No. 1416, should be insufficient to pay the principal 12 13 and interest at their respective maturities.

14 "d. For payment at their respective maturities of the principal of and interest on any bonds or other 15 obligations, including refunding obligations, issued after 16 17 December 1, 1977, by a public corporation existing at the time of issuance under the laws of the state pursuant to then 18 existing statutory authorization, or by the state pursuant to 19 then existing authorization, effective at the time of 20 21 issuance, under the constitution and laws of the state, and 22 for which the aforesaid residue, referred to in this 23 subdivision, of the state's share of the net tax proceeds 24 shall have been appropriated and pledged in a then effective 25 statute or constitutional provision (including any enabling 26 act under a constitutional provision) under which the bonds 27 may be issued, all in the manner and to the extent and subject

to the priorities in rank as may be provided in a statute or constitutional provision or in any authorizing resolution thereunder.

"e. For allocation on September 30 of each fiscal
year to each county to which allocation shall have been made
under the provisions of subsection (d), during that fiscal
year less than the base annual county distribution, which,
when added to the amounts so allocated to that county under
subsection (d), will equal the base annual county
distribution.

"(6) The state's share of the net tax proceeds paid into the Public Road and Bridge Fund and not required for any of the purposes referred to in any of the foregoing subdivisions (2), (3), (4), and (5) may be withdrawn by the Department of Transportation and used by it for highway purposes.

17 "(d) Fifty-five percent of net tax proceeds shall be 18 distributed as follows:

19 "(1) Fifty-five percent of the net tax proceeds are 20 hereby allocated and appropriated to be used for highway 21 purposes by the counties and municipalities to be covered into 22 the State Treasury and shall be disbursed and allocated as 23 hereinafter provided in this section.

24 "(2) A portion of the local subdivisions' shares of 25 the net tax proceeds that is equal to 25 percent of the net 26 tax proceeds shall be allocated equally among the 67 counties 27 of the state.

"(3) The entire residue of the local subdivisions' 1 2 shares of the net tax proceeds, being an amount equal to 30 percent of the net tax proceeds less any amount paid pursuant 3 4 to the contingent appropriation in subdivision (2), shall be allocated among the 67 counties of the state on the basis of 5 6 the ratio of the population of each county to the total 7 population of the state according to the then next preceding federal decennial census, or any special federal census 8 heretofore held in any county subsequent to the effective date 9 10 of the 1960 Federal Decennial Census. The allocation provided 11 for in this subdivision shall be made on or prior to the tenth 12 day of each month with respect to receipts of the highway 13 gasoline tax by the state during the preceding month.

14 "(e)(1) The amounts allocated or apportioned to each 15 county pursuant to each of subsections (c) and (d) shall be 16 disposed of as follows:

"a. Ten percent of the amount so allocated or 17 apportioned to each county shall be distributed among the 18 19 municipalities in the county with respect to which the allocation or apportionment is made; each distribution among 20 21 the municipalities shall be made on the basis of the ratio of the population of each municipality to the total population of 22 23 all municipalities in the applicable county according to the 24 then next preceding federal decennial census.

25 "b. The remaining portion of the amount so allocated 26 or apportioned to each county shall be distributed to the 27 county with respect to which the allocation or apportionment is made. The distributions provided for in this subsection
 shall be made monthly.

"(2) The population of any municipality incorporated 3 4 subsequent to the taking of the then next preceding federal decennial census shall be deemed to be the population shown by 5 6 the census for that municipality taken pursuant to the 7 requirements of Section 11-41-4. Any municipality incorporated after September 30, 1967, shall not participate in the 8 distribution provided for in this section until the fiscal 9 10 year next succeeding the fiscal year during which it is 11 incorporated, the first distribution to the municipality to be 12 made from the receipts of the highway gasoline tax by the 13 state during October of the fiscal year next succeeding its 14 incorporation.

"(3) When requested to do so by any municipality, 15 16 the Department of Transportation may make available the 17 services and advice of its engineers and other employees with respect to any work for which that municipality proposes to 18 19 expend moneys distributed to it under this section. Any services and advice that may be made available shall be 20 21 provided under the terms and conditions that may be mutually 22 agreeable to the Department of Transportation and the municipality. 23

"(f) Three-fifths of the supplemental net tax
proceeds on gasoline, as defined in subsection (a), shall be
deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the Public
Road and Bridge Fund of the Department of Transportation and

1 shall be used exclusively in the construction, repair, 2 maintenance, and operation of public roads and bridges in this state, including public roads in state parks and any toll road 3 4 or toll bridge constructed by the state Department of Transportation or maintained and operated by it or under its 5 6 supervision. It is further provided that of the receipts 7 collected under this section dedicated to the Public Road and Bridge Fund, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) shall 8 be set aside in the fiscal year ending September 30, 1992, and 9 10 the sum of at least five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1993, and in each 11 12 fiscal year thereafter, to coordinate with the Department of 13 Conservation and Natural Resources on the construction, 14 maintenance, and repair of public roads in the state's park 15 system. The remaining two-fifths of the supplemental net tax proceeds shall be distributed, as provided for distribution of 16 17 the net tax proceeds, according to subsections (c), (d), and (e). Any local laws or general laws of local application now 18 in effect regarding the distribution of the tax levied by 19 Section 40-17-325 shall govern the distribution of the amounts 20 21 allocated or apportioned within every county by this section. 22 The Legislature may by general or local laws prescribe other 23 distributions within counties to local governments. The two 24 fifths of the supplemental net tax proceeds shall be used for 25 the same purposes and deposited in the same state, county, and 26 municipal funds as provided by Section 40-17-362. Where the 27 use is by a county, the funds may be used to match federal aid 1 on any projects that meet the requirements for federal funding 2 and the funds may also be used for new construction without 3 regard to the provision that 90 percent of the county's paved 4 road system has achieved a grade of 85 percent based on the 5 State of Alabama Department of Transportation's annual 6 maintenance report of county roads and bridges.

7 "(g) In all counties wherein members of the county governing bodies are compensated or paid on a salary basis, 8 the county governing bodies may pay a part of the salary out 9 10 of the county gasoline tax revenues. The part paid out of county gasoline tax revenues shall bear the same proportion to 11 12 the total salary paid to the member as the time devoted by the 13 member to supervising, inspecting, accepting, building, or 14 repairing county roads or bridges bears to the total time 15 devoted by the member to all of his or her duties as a member 16 of the county governing body.

17 "The county governing body may determine the18 proportions set out in this section.

19 "(h) The county commissions may pay a portion of the 20 compensation of their clerks out of the Public Road and Bridge 21 Fund or gasoline tax funds in the county treasury; provided, 22 that not more than 75 percent of the total salary payable 23 shall be paid out of the fund or funds.

24 "(i) For the purpose of this section, each federal 25 decennial census shall be deemed to be effective on October 1 26 next following the publication of the results of the decennial 27 census. "(j) Wherever in this section any portion of the net tax proceeds is provided to be applied or used for highway purposes, it shall be used as follows:

4 "(1) Where the use is by the Department of Transportation, with the approval of the Governor, the use 5 shall be for the construction of public roads and bridges in 6 7 the state, the maintenance of public roads and bridges on the state highway system, the equipment and preparation of 8 convicts for use upon the public roads and bridges in the 9 10 state, the maintenance of the convicts while at work upon the roads and bridges, the compensation to the state for the use 11 12 of any convicts, and for other public road and bridge purposes 13 in the state as may be authorized by the Department of 14 Transportation with the approval of the Governor.

15 "(2) Where the use is by a county, the use shall be for transportation planning, the construction, reconstruction, 16 17 maintenance, widening, alteration, and improvement of public roads and bridges as is now or may hereafter be provided by 18 law, including payment of the principal of and interest on any 19 securities at any time issued by the county pursuant to law 20 21 for payment of which all or any of the net tax proceeds were 22 or may be lawfully pledged, and the use may also be for the 23 purpose and subject to the provisions contained in subsection 24 (q).

"(3) Where the use is by a municipality, the use
shall be for transportation planning, the construction,
reconstruction, maintenance, widening, alteration, and

improvement of public roads, bridges, streets, and other 1 2 public ways, including payment of the principal of and interest on any securities at any time issued by the 3 4 municipality pursuant to law for the payment of which any part of the net tax proceeds were or may be lawfully pledged; 5 6 provided, that no part of the net tax proceeds referred to in 7 this section shall be expended contrary to the provisions of the constitution; and provided further, that funds distributed 8 to municipalities under the provisions of this section shall 9 10 not be commingled with other funds of the municipality and shall be kept and disbursed by the municipality from a special 11 12 fund only for the purposes hereinabove provided.

"(k) The county commission of each of the counties may use or expend the proceeds of the state gasoline tax levied by Section 40-17-325, distributed to the county pursuant to this section, for the construction and maintenance of streets within the corporate limits of any municipality located within the county, anything in Sections 40-17-322 to 40-17-356, inclusive, to the contrary notwithstanding.

"(1) The county commission of each of the counties may use or expend the state gasoline tax proceeds referred to in subsection (k) for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance, and repair of public highways and traffic control areas located on public school property or state school property within the county.

26 "(m) The State Treasurer shall make all allocations
27 of the net tax proceeds and the supplemental net tax proceeds

and shall make the distributions and payments thereof pursuant
 to the allocations provided for in this section.

"(n) It is the intention of the Legislature in
enacting this section to preserve inviolate all pledges
heretofore made pursuant to law of any portion of the proceeds
derived from the highway gasoline tax for the benefit of those
bonds now outstanding that are referred to in subsection (c),
or for the benefit of securities now outstanding that were
issued pursuant to law by any county or municipality.

10 "(o) All One-third of all revenues received or 11 collected by the department from the additional four six cents 12 (\$.04) (\$.06) tax levied on gasoline under subdivision (1) of 13 subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325, remaining after the 14 payment of refunds and the expense of administration and 15 enforcement of this article are hereby allocated and 16 appropriated in the following manner: shall be paid into the 17 State Treasury and distributed by the State Treasurer as prescribed under Section 8-17-91. 18

19 "(p) The remaining two-thirds revenues received or 20 collected by the department from the additional six cents 21 (\$.06) tax levied on gasoline under subdivision (1) of 22 subsection (a) of Section 40-17-325, after the payment of 23 refunds and the expense of administration and enforcement of 24 this article shall be paid into the State Treasury and 25 distributed by the State Treasurer as follows: 26 "(1) Forty five parcent for state bighter purposes

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27 and as the state's share of the <u>remaining two-thirds revenues</u>

received or collected by the department from the additional s.04 six cents (\$.06) tax levied. This 45 percent shall be deposited into the State Treasury to the credit of the Public Road and Bridge Fund and shall be disbursed as provided in this article.

"(2) Fifty-five percent for highway purposes by the
counties and municipalities. The 55 percent of the <u>remaining</u>
<u>two-thirds revenues received or collected by the department</u>
<u>from the</u> additional \$.04 <u>six cents (\$.06)</u> tax levied shall be
deposited into the State Treasury and shall be disbursed and
allocated as hereinafter provided in this section.

"a. A portion of the local subdivisions' shares of the <u>remaining two-thirds revenue received or collected by the</u> department from the additional \$.04 six cents (\$.06) tax levied that is equal to 25 percent of the <u>remaining two-thirds</u> <u>revenue received or collected by the department from the</u> additional \$.04 six cents (\$.06) tax levied shall be allocated equally among the 67 counties of the state.

19 "b. The entire residue of the local subdivisions' shares of the remaining two-thirds revenues received or 20 21 collected by the department from the additional  $\frac{1}{2.04}$  six cents 22 (\$.06) tax levied, being an amount equal to 30 percent of the 23 remaining two-thirds revenues received or collected by the 24 department from the additional  $\frac{5.04}{5.04}$  six cents (\$.06) tax 25 levied, shall be allocated among the 67 counties of the state 26 on the basis of the ratio of the population of each county to 27 the total population of the state according to the then next

preceding federal decennial census, or any special federal census heretofore held in any county subsequent to the effective date of the 1970 Federal Decennial Census. The allocation provided for in this subsection shall be made on or prior to the tenth day of each month with respect to receipts of the highway gasoline tax by the state during the preceding month.

8 "c. The distributions provided for in this 9 subdivision shall be made monthly. The amounts allocated or 10 apportioned to each county shall be disposed of as follows:

11 "1. Ten percent of the amount so allocated or 12 apportioned to each county shall be distributed among the 13 municipalities in the county with respect to which the 14 allocation or apportionment is made, each distribution among 15 the municipalities shall be made on the basis of the ratio of the population of each municipality to the total population of 16 17 all municipalities in the applicable county according to the then next preceding federal decennial census. Provided, that 18 any local laws or general laws of local application now in 19 effect regarding the distribution of the tax levied by Section 20 21 40-17-325 shall govern the distribution of the amounts 22 allocated or apportioned within every county by this section; 23 provided further, that the Legislature may by general or local 24 laws prescribe other distributions within counties to local 25 governments.

26 "2. The remaining portion of the amount so allocated27 or apportioned to each county shall be distributed to the

1 county with respect to which such allocation or apportionment 2 is made.

"d. The population of any municipality incorporated 3 4 subsequent to the taking of the then next preceding federal decennial census shall be deemed to be the population shown by 5 6 the census for that municipality taken pursuant to the 7 requirements of Section 11-41-4. Any municipality incorporated after September 30, 1978, shall not participate in the 8 distribution provided for in this section until the fiscal 9 10 year next succeeding the fiscal year during which it is 11 incorporated, the first distribution to the municipality shall 12 be made in respect of receipts of the highway gasoline tax by 13 the state during October of the fiscal year next succeeding 14 its incorporation.

15 "e. When requested to do so by any municipality, the Department of Transportation may at its discretion make 16 17 available the services and advice of its engineers and other employees with respect to any work for which that municipality 18 proposes to expend moneys distributed to it under this 19 subdivision. Any services and advice that may be so made 20 21 available shall be provided under the terms and conditions as 22 may be mutually agreeable to the Department of Transportation 23 and the municipality.

"(p)(q) The State Treasurer shall make all
allocations of the revenue collections and shall make the
distribution and payments thereof pursuant to such allocations
provided for in this article.

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"§40-17-362.

2 "(a) For the purposes of this section, the following
3 words and phrases shall have the following meanings:

4 "(1) BRIDGE REPLACEMENT. Bridge replacement includes
5 the replacement of existing bridge structures and, if
6 necessary, the realignment of the adjacent approaches.

7 "(2) RESURFACING, RESTORATION, AND REHABILITATION. Work undertaken primarily to preserve an existing facility. 8 Restoration and rehabilitation is work required to return the 9 10 existing pavement or bridge deck, including shoulders, to a 11 condition of adequate structural support or to a condition 12 adequate for placement of an additional state of construction. 13 Resurfacing consists of the placement of additional surface 14 material over the existing, restored, or rehabilitated roadway 15 or bridge deck to improve serviceability or to provide additional strength. Resurfacing, restoration, and 16 17 rehabilitation work may include changes to geometric features, such as minor widening, flattening curves, or improving sight 18 distances. 19

"(3) VEGETATION MANAGEMENT. Action taken to maintain the right-of-way of a paved road in a condition that is beneficial to public safety and the longevity of the road infrastructure including, but not limited to, restoration and maintenance and cleaning of the full width of the right-of-way through the use of herbicides, heavy equipment, and other means.

"(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the 1 2 proceeds of the tax collected on remaining two-thirds revenues received or collected by the department from the additional 3 4 six cents (\$.06) diesel fuel gasoline excise tax levied under Section 40-17-325(a)(1) and the revenues received or collected 5 6 by the department from the additional four six cents (\$.04)7 (\$.06) gasoline diesel fuel excise tax under the provisions of this article Section 40-17-325(a)(2) shall be used in the 8 9 following manner:

"(1) Where the use is by the Department of
Transportation, the use shall, with the approval of the
Governor, be for the construction and maintenance of public
roads and bridges on the state highway system.

14 "(2) Where the use is by a county, the use shall be for vegetation management or resurfacing, restoration, and 15 rehabilitation of the paved county roads and bridges or bridge 16 17 replacement on the county road system. These funds shall not be used for new construction unless 90 percent of the county's 18 paved road system has achieved a grade of 85 percent based on 19 the State of Alabama Department of Transportation's annual 20 21 maintenance report of county roads and bridges. These funds 22 shall not be used for the purchase of equipment or herbicides. 23 The net tax proceeds distributed to the county shall not be 24 commingled with other funds of the county, including any other gasoline tax revenues, and shall be kept and disbursed by the 25 26 county from a special fund only for the purposes hereinabove 27 provided.

1 "(3) Where the use is by a municipality, the use 2 shall be for resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation of roads, bridges, and streets within the municipality. The use 3 4 may also be for bridge replacement within the municipality. From time to time, the funds may also be used to construct new 5 6 roads and streets within the municipality. These funds shall 7 not be commingled with other funds of the municipality, including any other gasoline tax revenues, and shall be kept 8 and disbursed by the municipality from a special fund only for 9 10 the purposes hereinabove provided." 11 Section 5. All laws or parts of laws which conflict

12 with this act are repealed.

Section 6. In Section 1, in the amended Section 8-17-91(a)(2)e, the new paragraph e. shall become effective October 1, 2014, following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming a law. All other parts of this act shall become effective on October 1, 2015, following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.