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## 61<sup>st</sup> Wyoming Legislature ★ 2011 General Session

### **HB0153, Agricultural gas tax refund program.**

Sponsors: Representative(s) Semlek, Blikre, Madden, Moniz, Petersen and Teeters and  
Senator(s) Schiffer

Aye votes: Representatives Barbuto, Berger, Blake, Blikre, Bonner, Botten, Brechtel, Brown, Buchanan, Burkhart, Byrd, Campbell, Cannady, Childers, Connolly, Craft, Davison, Edmonds, Eklund, Esquibel, K., Freeman, Gay, Gingery, Goggles, Greear, Greene, Harshman, Harvey, Hunt, Illoway, Jaggi, Kasperik, Kroeker, Krone, Loucks, Lubnau, Madden, McKim, McOmie, Miller, Moniz, Nicholas, B., Patton, Peasley, Pederson, Petersen, Petroff, Quarberg, Roscoe, Semlek, Shepperson, Steward, Stubson, Teeters, Throne, Vranish, Wallis, Zwonitzer, Dn. and Zwonitzer, Dv. Senators Anderson, Barnard, Bebout, Burns, Case, Christensen, Coe, Cooper, Dockstader, Driskill, Emerich, Esquibel, F., Geis, Hastert, Hicks, Hines, Jennings, Johnson, Landen, Martin, Meier, Nicholas, P., Nutting, Perkins, Peterson, Ross, Schiffer, Scott and Von Flatern

Nay votes: Senators Rothfuss

Signed by the Governor.

#### **Comments**

Eliminates the minimum gross receipts qualification for refunds for gasoline tax paid on gasoline for ag. It puts large and small operators on a level playing field for gasoline tax purposes. It also cleans up some of the language. (The minimum reminds one of the Johnson County War, a contest between large and small producers.)

While agriculture is valued and is struggling, this bill amounts to a subsidy, favoring one business over another. Remove restrictions and protect agriculture from the federal government, but don't give it special privileges.

Weighted Rating: 0.00. Unweighted Rating: 0.00.

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