

STREAMLINED SALES AND USE TAX REVENUE EQUALIZATION ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 175 of 2004

205.175 Tax on motor fuel and alternative fuel used by interstate motor carrier; rate; credit under international fuel tax agreement; applicability under qualified fuel tax reciprocity agreement.

Sec. 5. (1) There is levied upon and there shall be collected from every person in this state who is an interstate motor carrier a specific tax for the privilege of using or consuming motor fuel and alternative fuel in a qualified commercial motor vehicle in this state.

(2) For motor fuel upon which the tax imposed under subsection (1) applies, the tax shall be imposed at a cents-per-gallon rate equal to 6% of the statewide average retail price of a gallon of self-serve undyed No. 2 ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel or self-serve unleaded regular gasoline, as applicable, rounded down to the nearest 1/10 of a cent as determined and certified quarterly by the department. This tax on motor fuel used by interstate motor carriers in a qualified commercial motor vehicle shall be collected under the international fuel tax agreement. An interstate motor carrier is entitled to a credit for 6% of the price of motor fuel purchased in this state and used in a qualified commercial motor vehicle. This credit shall be claimed on the returns filed under the international fuel tax agreement.

(3) For alternative fuel upon which the tax imposed under subsection (1) applies, the tax shall be imposed at a cents-per-gallon rate, or cents-per-gallon equivalent rate, as applicable, equal to 6% of the average retail price of a gallon or gallon equivalent, as applicable, of the applicable alternative fuel rounded down to the nearest 1/10 of a cent as determined and certified quarterly by the department. For purposes of this subsection, the average retail price is to be based on the statewide average price of the particular alternative fuel, as determined by the department, unless the department determines that a statewide average is not readily available. If a statewide average is not readily available, the department may use available regional or nationwide average retail pricing information, or when regional or nationwide pricing information cannot be readily obtained, may use the average retail price applicable to gasoline under subsection (2) for compressed natural gas or the average retail price applicable to diesel fuel under subsection (2) for all other types of alternative fuel, with adjustments as the department determines are appropriate to convert gasoline or diesel fuel prices to prices for alternative fuel.

(4) The tax on alternative fuel under subsection (3) used by interstate motor carriers in a qualified commercial motor vehicle shall be collected under the international fuel tax agreement. An interstate motor carrier is entitled to a credit for 6% of the price of alternative fuel purchased in this state and used in a qualified commercial motor vehicle. This credit shall be claimed on the returns filed under the international fuel tax agreement.

(5) This section does not apply to an interstate motor carrier to the extent that the interstate motor carrier is exempt from the requirements of this section under a qualified fuel tax reciprocity agreement as that term is defined in section 3 of 1960 PA 124, MCL 3.163.

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