HOUSE BILL NO. HB0064

Indexing fuel taxes.

Sponsored by: Joint Revenue Interim Committee

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for

- 1 AN ACT relating to fuel taxes; adjusting gasoline, diesel
- 2 fuel and alternative fuel tax rates by indexing the tax rate
- 3 to the consumer price index; and providing for an effective
- 4 date.

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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 8 **Section 1.** W.S. 39-17-104(a)(intro) and (i),
- 9 39-17-204(a)(intro) and (i) and 39-17-304(a)(intro) and (i)
- 10 are amended to read:

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12 **39-17-104.** Taxation rate.

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- 14 (a) Except as otherwise provided by this section and
- 15 W.S. 39-17-105, the total tax on gasoline shall be twenty-four

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1 cents (\$.24) per gallon. The tax rate on gasoline shall be 2 imposed as follows: 3 4 (i) There is levied and shall be collected a 5 license tax of twenty-three cents (\$.23) per gallon on all 6 gasoline used, sold or distributed for sale or use in this state except for those fuels exempted under W.S. 39-17-105. 7 8 The rate shall be adjusted by the department as provided in this paragraph. On March 1 of each even-numbered year, the 9 10 department shall adjust the then current tax rate by the 11 percentage change in the consumer price index published by 12 the United States department of labor for the most recent 13 twenty-four (24) month period ending December 31 of the preceding year, rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent, 14 15 provided that the tax under this paragraph shall not be less 16 than twenty-three cents (\$.23) per gallon. The department shall publish and notify all licensees of the adjusted rate. 17 The adjusted rate determined in this paragraph shall be 18 19 effective for the biennial period beginning July 1, 2020 and 20 each even-numbered year thereafter; 21 39-17-204. Taxation rate. 22

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1 (a) Except as otherwise provided by this section and 2 W.S. 39-17-205, the total tax on diesel fuels shall be 3 twenty-four cents (\$.24) per gallon. The tax rate on diesel 4 <u>fuels</u> shall be imposed as follows: 5 There is levied and shall be collected a 6 license tax of twenty-three cents (\$.23) per gallon on all 7 8 diesel fuels used, sold or distributed for sale or use in 9 this state. The rate shall be adjusted by the department as 10 provided in this paragraph. On March 1 of each even-numbered year, the department shall adjust the then current tax rate 11 12 by the percentage change in the consumer price index published 13 by the United States department of labor for the most recent 14 twenty-four (24) month period ending December 31 of the preceding year, rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent, 15 16 provided that the tax under this paragraph shall not be less than twenty-three cents (\$.23) per gallon. The department 17 shall publish and notify all licensees of the adjusted rate. 18 19 The adjusted rate determined in this paragraph shall be 20 effective for the biennial period beginning July 1, 2020 and 21 each even-numbered year thereafter; 22

23 **39-17-304.** Taxation rate.

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Except as otherwise provided by this section and W.S. 39-17-305, the total tax rate on alternative fuel used to propel a motor vehicle shall be twenty four cents (\$.24) per gallon-imposed as provided in this section. The gasoline gallon equivalent (GGE) shall be used for compressed natural gas, liquid petroleum gas or electricity. The diesel gallon equivalent (DGE) shall be used for liquefied natural gas or renewable diesel. The rate shall be imposed as follows:

(i) There is levied and shall be collected a license tax of twenty three cents (\$.23) per gallon, using the gasoline gallon equivalent or diesel gallon equivalent as appropriate on all alternative fuel used, sold or distributed for sale or use in this state to propel a motor vehicle except for those fuels exempted under W.S. 39-17-305. The rate shall be adjusted by the department as provided in this paragraph.

On March 1 of each even-numbered year, the department shall adjust the then current tax rate by the percentage change in the consumer price index published by the United States department of labor for the most recent twenty-four (24) month period ending December 31 of the preceding year, rounded to the nearest tenth of a cent, provided that the tax under this

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1 paragraph shall not be less than twenty-three cents (\$.23) per gallon. The department shall publish and notify all 2 licensees of the adjusted rate. The adjusted rate determined 3 4 in this paragraph shall be effective for the biennial period 5 beginning July 1, 2020 and each even-numbered year 6 thereafter; 7 8 Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2019. 9

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