

# House Research Act Summary

**CHAPTER:** 434

**SESSION:** 2000 Regular Session

**TOPIC:** Oxygenates in Gasoline

**Date:** May 10, 2000

**Analyst:** Jeanne Cochran, 651-296-8961

This publication can be made available in alternative formats upon request. Please call 651-296-6753 (voice); or the Minnesota State Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529 (TTY) for assistance. Summaries are also available on our website at: [www.house.mn/hrd](http://www.house.mn/hrd).

---

## Overview

This act phases out the use of MTBE and two other oxygenates in gasoline.

- 1 **Phase out of certain oxygenates.** Amends existing law relating to oxygenated gasoline to provide that after July 1, 2000, gasoline containing in excess of one-third of one percent of the following oxygenates may not be sold in the state:
  - methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE);
  - ethyl tertiary butyl ether (ETBE); and
  - tertiary amyl methyl ether (TAME).After July 1, 2005, no gasoline containing any level of these oxygenates may be sold.