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This compilation of state statutory citations focuses predominantly on biofuels laws in effect January 1, 1970 through December 31, 2007. In some instances, regulations have been included in the compilation due to their significance. This compilation is intended to serve as a researcher-friendly inventory of state laws by providing the formal title of relevant legislation, the standard legal citation for each statute and a brief description of the law. Some statutes and regulations listed do not specifically relate to biofuels, but are included because of their complementary relationship to the evolution of biofuels law in the state. These statutes are placed in reverse chronological order using the date of the most recent amendment to the statute. Many biofuels laws were enacted as amendments to previously passed laws.

Title	Citation	Applicability	Description
Biodiesel content mandate (2009)	MINN. STAT. § 239.77	Biodiesel	Sets requirements for the amount of biodiesel that will be blended each year, from 2005 to 2015, with diesel fuel sold in the state.
Minimizing energy use; renewable fuels (2009)	MINN. STAT. § 16C.137	Both	Sets goals for the reduction in the use of gasoline and diesel by state agencies. The goal is to switch to cleaner fuels, including biodiesel and ethanol.
Definitions (2009)	MINN. STAT. § 296A.01	Both	Defines biodiesel, alternative fuels, ethanol, and forms of ethanol.
Petroleum product specifications (2009)	MINN. STAT. § 239.761	Both	Defines biodiesel, blended biodiesel, E85, & ethanol.
NexGen energy (2008)	MINN. STAT. § 41A.102	Both	Duty of the NexGen energy board is to examine the future of fuels in Minnesota, looking at biodiesel and ethanol among other things.

Petroleum replacement promotion (2008)	MINN. STAT. § 239.7911	Both	Sets percentages of liquid fuels sold in a state to be derived from renewable sources.
Definitions (2008)	MINN. STAT. § 239.051	Ethanol	Defines ethanol blender.
Ethanol development (2008)	MINN. STAT. § 41A.09	Ethanol	Sets ethanol production goals for 2003 and on. Starting June 30, 2003, there will be a \$.20/gallon for each gallon produced at a site before June 30, 2003. The payments will end June 30, 2003, and is capped at \$3,000,000/fiscal year/producer.
Oxygenated Gasoline (2008)	MINN. STAT. § 239.791	Ethanol	Requires all gasoline sold in the state to contain 10% ethanol. By 2013, all gasoline will contain 20% ethanol (E20), unless ethanol has replaced 20% of all fuel sold in the state or the federal government has not approved E20. Certain exemptions apply.
Gasoline Tax (2008)	MINN. STAT. § 296A.07	Ethanol	Sets excise tax on ethanol at \$.1775/gallon.
Cellulosic biofuel development (2007)	MINN. STAT. § 41A.10	Ethanol	Sets cellulosic biofuel production goals to reach by 2015. To be amount of ethanol required by 2015, or when cellulosic production in state is 60,000,000 gallons, which ever is first.
Promotional Activities (2007)	MINN. STAT. § 17.101	Ethanol	One of promotional activities Commissioner of Ag can do is looking at conversion of raw ag products to ethanol.
Reinvest in Minnesota clean energy program (2007)	MINN. STAT. § 103F.518	Ethanol	Reinvestment board will prioritize projects that coordinate cooperation on cellulosic biofuel production.

Fostering use of hydrogen energy (2007)	MINN. STAT. § 216B.812	Both	Commissioner of commerce will get federal funds to help build multifuel infrastructure to accommodate new fuel technologies. Along with hydrogen, it will support biodiesel and ethanol technologies also.
Inspection of petroleum products (2007)	MINN. STAT. § 239.75	Both	Requirements for inspection of blended biofuels.
Violations; penalties (2007)	MINN. STAT. § 239.80	Both	Penalties if a retailer does not have ethanol or biodiesel available for blending when pipeline or refinery needs.
Distributor expense reimbursement (2002)	MINN. STAT. § 239.771	Biodiesel	Can receive reimbursement for up to 80% of the capital investment in equipment to blend biodiesel.
Purchases of fuel and vehicles by state agencies (2002)	MINN. STAT. § 16C.135	Both	State agencies will purchase cleaner fuels, including ethanol and biodiesel, to fuel vehicles when it is compatible. Agencies will also purchase cleaner fuel vehicles, if one is available for the purpose.
Definitions (2001)	MINN. STAT. § 216C.01	BOTH	Defines "alternative fuels" includes ethanol, and defines "dual fuel vehicles" that run on either biodiesel and ethanol, or gasoline and diesel.
Ethanol Development Program (1999)	MINN. STAT. § 41B.044	Ethanol	Develop secured and unsecured loans to develop ethanol production in the state.
Definitions (1995)	MINN. STAT. § 41B.02	Ethanol	Defines an ethanol production facility.