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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION RELATED TO THE

102 GASOLINE AND SPECIAL FUELS TAX.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov.</u>)

The bill allows the executive director of the department of revenue to disclose information relevant to an assessment of a gasoline distributor for the failure to make the required sworn statement and pay the tax for any calendar month or for a gasoline distributor filing an incorrect or fraudulent statement or return for any calendar month. The executive director may only disclose this information to taxpayers with cases



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involving common or related issues of fact or law. Taxpayers are limited in the use and disclosure of this information.

The bill also requires, upon written request by a local government official, a gasoline distributor to disclose certain records to local government officials related to an alleged violation of the administration of the gasoline and special fuels tax.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-21-113, add (29) 3 as follows: 4 39-21-113. Reports and returns - rule. (29) NOTWITHSTANDING 5 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, WHEN CONDUCTING AN ASSESSMENT 6 PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-27-105(3) OF A DISTRIBUTOR OF GASOLINE OR 7 SPECIAL FUELS WHO FAILS OR REFUSES TO MAKE AND FILE THE SWORN 8 STATEMENT AND PAY THE TAX DUE FOR ANY CALENDAR MONTH OR WHO 9 MAKES AND FILES ANY INCORRECT OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENT OR 10 RETURN FOR ANY CALENDAR MONTH AS REQUIRED BY PART 1 OF ARTICLE 11 27 OF THIS TITLE 39, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY PROVIDE DETAILED 12 INFORMATION PERTINENT TO AN ASSESSMENT MADE PURSUANT TO 13 SECTION 39-27-105 (3), INCLUDING INFORMATION FROM A REPORT FILED 14 PURSUANT TO SECTION 39-27-105 (1), TO TAXPAYERS WITH CASES 15 INVOLVING COMMON OR RELATED ISSUES OF FACT OR LAW. PERSONS WHO 16 RECEIVE TAXPAYER INFORMATION PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (29) 17 ARE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, INCLUDING THE 18 LIMITATIONS IN SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION AND THE PENALTIES IN 19 SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION REGARDING DISCLOSURE OF TAXPAYER 20 INFORMATION.

21 SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-27-110, add (7)
22 as follows:

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1 **39-27-110.** Inspection of records. (7) UPON WRITTEN REQUEST 2 BY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL CONDUCTING INFORMATION 3 GATHERING OR AN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION RELATED TO AN ALLEGED 4 VIOLATION OF THIS PART 1, A DISTRIBUTOR SHALL DISCLOSE TO A LOCAL 5 GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL ANY BOOKS, PAPERS, OR RECORDS REQUIRED TO 6 BE MAINTAINED BY THIS SECTION. ANY INFORMATION DISCLOSED 7 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (7) SHALL BE CONFIDENTIAL AND ANY 8 PERSON DIVULGING THE INFORMATION, EXCEPT AS SUCH DISCLOSURE MAY 9 BE RENDERED NECESSARY BY LAW, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PENALTIES 10 PROVIDED IN THIS PART 1.

11 SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 12 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 13 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except 14 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V 15 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this 16 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take 17 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 18 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 19 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.