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An act relating to the Home Weatherization Assistance Program

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 33 V.S.A. § 2503 is amended to read:

§ 2503. FUEL TAX

(a)(1) There is imposed a tax on the retail sale of heating oil, propane, kerosene, and other dyed diesel fuel delivered to a residence or business, at the rate of ~~\$0.02~~ \$0.04 per gallon; provided, however, that dyed diesel fuel delivered to a farm business regulated under 6 V.S.A. chapter 215 or to a forestry operation, as that term is defined under 10 V.S.A. § 2602, shall be exempt from the tax under this subdivision.

(2) There is imposed a gross receipts tax of ~~0.75~~ 1.0 percent on the retail sale of natural gas and 1.5 percent on the retail sale of coal.

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Sec. 2. FUEL TAX; RATE SETTING

A company subject to 30 V.S.A. § 218 shall be entitled to recovery of an increase in the fuel tax in 33 V.S.A. § 2503(a)(2), in Sec. 1 of this act, from the effective date of that increase. The manner of recovery shall be approved by the Vermont Public Utility Commission pursuant to its authority in 30 V.S.A. § 218.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.