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AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to providing a tax credit to farmers who purchase biodiesel fuel for the operation of their farm equipment

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Section 210 of the tax law is amended by adding a new 2 subdivision 43 to read as follows:

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- 43. CREDIT FOR BIODIESEL FUEL USED IN FARMING EQUIPMENT. (A) ALLOW-ANCE OF CREDIT. A TAXPAYER THAT IS A BUSINESS PRINCIPALLY ENGAGED IN FARMING, AS SUCH TERM IS DEFINED IN PARAGRAPH NINETEEN OF SUBDIVISION (B) OF SECTION ELEVEN HUNDRED ONE OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE FOR THE PURCHASE OF BIODIESEL FUEL TO BE USED IN FARMING EQUIPMENT. SUCH CREDIT SHALL BE \$0.01 PER PERCENT OF BIODIESEL PER GALLON OF BIOHEAT, NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY CENTS PER GALLON, PURCHASED BY SUCH TAXPAYER.
- 11 (B) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBDIVISION, THE TERM "BIODIESEL" SHALL MEAN 12 A FUEL COMPRISED EXCLUSIVELY OF MONOALKYL ESTERS OF LONG CHAIN FATTY 13 ACIDS DERIVED FROM VEGETABLE OILS OR ANIMAL FATS, DESIGNATED B100, WHICH 14 MEETS THE SPECIFICATIONS OF AMERICAN SOCIETY OF TESTING AND MATERIALS 15 DESIGNATION D 6751.
- (C) APPLICATION OF CREDIT. IF THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER 16 17 SUBDIVISION FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR SHALL EXCEED THE TAXPAYER'S TAX FOR SUCH YEAR, THE EXCESS SHALL BE TREATED AS AN OVERPAYMENT OF 18 BE CREDITED OR REFUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION ONE 19 THOUSAND EIGHTY-SIX OF THIS CHAPTER, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO INTEREST 20 21 SHALL BE PAID ON SUCH REFUND, NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF 22 SUBSECTION (C) OF SECTION ONE THOUSAND EIGHTY-EIGHT OF THIS CHAPTER.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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S 2. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection (ss) to read as follows:

- (SS) CREDIT FOR BIODIESEL FUEL USED IN FARMING EQUIPMENT. (1) ALLOW-ANCE OF CREDIT. A TAXPAYER WHOSE FEDERAL GROSS INCOME FROM FARMING FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR IS AT LEAST TWO-THIRDS OF EXCESS FEDERAL GROSS INCOME SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE FOR THE PURCHASE OF BIODIESEL FUEL TO BE USED IN FARMING EQUIPMENT. SUCH CREDIT SHALL BE \$0.01 PER PERCENT OF BIODIESEL PER GALLON OF BIOHEAT, NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY CENTS PER GALLON, PURCHASED BY SUCH TAXPAYER.
- 10 (2) APPLICATION OF CREDIT. IF THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER 11 THIS SUBSECTION FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR SHALL EXCEED THE TAXPAYER'S TAX FOR 12 SUCH YEAR, THE EXCESS SHALL BE TREATED AS AN OVERPAYMENT OF TAX TO BE 13 CREDITED OR REFUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION SIX 14 HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX OF THIS ARTICLE, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO INTEREST 15 SHALL BE PAID THEREON.
- 16 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.