



Top 3 Reasons AB 408 Protects WI's Small Engine Industry

*The WBIA strongly supports small engine producers in Wisconsin. We have made several efforts to work with them to support their mission. After hearing their concerns about AB 408/SB 279, the Domestic Biofuels Bill, we would like to highlight the following provisions in the bill that will **preserve jobs and protect small engine users** throughout Wisconsin.*

- 1.** The bill guarantees the availability of ethanol-free gasoline.
- 2.** The bill ensures small engine users will be able to buy gasoline with ethanol blends recommended by the manufacturer.
- 3.** The bill protects Wisconsin's small engine owners, should ethanol become too expensive or scarce.

** For more details, please see the reverse side.*



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Included below are more details from AB 408 and small engine manufacturers.

1. *From AB 408:*
"Required offering of unblended gasoline to motor fuel dealers. This bill requires a motor fuel grantor (grantor) to offer unblended gasoline, suitable for subsequent blending with ethanol and subsequent sale, to any motor fuel dealer (dealer) with which it has a motor fuel dealership agreement (agreement)."

2. "Gasohol (up to 10% ethyl alcohol, 90% unleaded gasoline by volume) is approved as a fuel for KOHLER engines."
-KOHLER Engines

"Fuels containing up to 10 percent ethanol are considered acceptable for use in Mercury engines."
-Mercury Marine

"Gasoline with up to 10% ethanol (gasohol or up to 15% MTBE (methyl tertiary butyl ether), is acceptable."
-Briggs & Stratton

3. *From AB 408:*
"ASSESSMENT. (a) Except as provided in par. (b), if the department determines under sub. (3) (a) that an annual goal for sales of renewable fuels in sub. (2) (b) or (c), was not met, the department shall assess the cause and report its findings to the governor and, under s. 13.172 (3), to the standing committees of the legislature that oversee issues related to renewable fuel. The department shall include all of the following in the assessment:

1. A determination of whether renewable fuels are available in sufficient quantities and at prices comparable to the type of fuel that they replace, and if so, whether fluctuations in demand for renewable fuels are a cause of sales below the goal.