

**216C.50 PROPANE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH COUNCIL.**

Subdivision 1. **Council.** Propane producers and propane retail marketers, as defined by United States Code, title 15, section 6402, may form a propane education and research council for the purpose of establishing, supporting, or conducting research, training, and education programs concerning the safe and efficient use of propane.

Subd. 2. **Organization.** Organization and membership of the council shall be in compliance with United States Code, title 15, sections 6403, subsections (a) and (b), and 6404, subsection (c), and must abide by the requirements of United States Code, title 15, section 6409. The council is established upon certification by the commissioner of public safety that the council has been organized in compliance with United States Code, title 15, sections 6403, subsections (a) and (b), and 6404, subsection (c).

Subd. 3. **Assessment.** A propane education and research council, established and certified pursuant to subdivision 2, may assess propane producers and retail marketers an amount not to exceed the maximum assessment authorized in United States Code, title 15, section 6405(a), per gallon of odorized propane in a manner established by the council in compliance with United States Code, title 15, section 6405, subsections (a) to (c). Propane producers and retail marketers shall be responsible for the amounts assessed.

Subd. 4. **Annual report.** A propane education and research council collecting assessments pursuant to subdivision 3 shall annually report to the commissioner of public safety, detailing collections and expenditures made pursuant to this section.

**History:** 2001 c 130; 2004 c 222 s 1; 2016 c 189 art 6 s 14