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Support of SB 744

Helping Farmers Save Money and Increase Efficiency

JEFFERSON CITY — This statement is from Sen. Jason Crowell, R-Cape Girardeau, about Senate Bill 744, sponsored by Sen. David Klindt, R-Bethany, removing the local sales tax from fuel used exclusively for agricultural purposes. The Senate granted final passage to the legislation last week, and the bill is now being considered by the House.

“SB 744 is a great piece of legislation for the farming industry and consumers of agricultural products. Because farmers significantly contribute to local and state economies in so many ways, the fuel they use to cultivate and harvest agricultural and livestock products should not be subjected to local sales tax. Under this bill, Missouri farmers will collectively save about \$160,000 a year. This will help them be more competitive in the marketplace by allowing them to redirect the financial savings toward increasing farm productivity and efficiency, which is good for Missouri consumers as a whole.”