

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Senator Trotzky of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

**AN ACT to Exempt Turbojet Fuel used for International Flights from
Sales Tax.**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

36 MRSA § 1760, sub-§ 37 is enacted to read:

37. Turbojet fuel for international flights. Sales of turbojet fuel when sold for international flights.

FISCAL NOTES

It is estimated that enactment of this legislation will result in a loss of revenue of \$253,596 for 1977.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to exempt turbojet fuel used for international flights from Maine's sales tax. At the present time, turbojet fuel is subject to a 1¢ per gallon excise tax and a 5% sales tax. The 5% sales tax is applied to the price of a gallon of turbojet fuel including the 1¢ excise tax. The present method of taxation is hindering Bangor International Airport's ability to compete with other international airports for international air traffic. It is felt that exempting turbojet fuel used for international flights from the sales tax will make Bangor International Airport more competitive with other international airports and, therefore, enhance the opportunity for growth and development of Maine's only international airport.