

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 93

S. P. 37

In Senate, January 7, 1975

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Clifford of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Liability of Natural Gas Distributors.

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

14 MRSA, § 165 is enacted to read:

§ 165. Liability of natural gas distributors

A natural gas company or natural gas pipeline company which distributes natural gas shall be held strictly liable for death or injury to person or damage to property resulting from explosion or fire caused by natural gas.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide absolute liability on the part of gas companies or natural gas pipeline companies for death, injury or damage when caused by that natural gas, which is a dangerous instrumentality.