

## STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107THE LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT " A " to H. P. 511, L. D. 573, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Bonding of Gasoline Distributors and Use Fuel Dealers."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the first underlined sentence of that part designated "§2906-A." of section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

Every distributor, importer or exporter holding a valid certificate as such, shall file with the State Tax Assessor a corporate surety bond in form satisfactory to the State Tax Assessor and in the amount of \$1,000 or the sum of the highest 3 months' tax liability for the preceding year, whichever is greater, conditioned upon compliance with this part.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the 3rd underlined paragraph of that part designated "<u>§2906-A.</u>" of section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Surety bonds shall not exceed \$150,000. A distributor, importer or exporter annually furnishing evidence satisfactory to the State Tax Assessor on forms furnished by the State Tax Assessor of his or its financial responsibility to answer in an amount exceeding his total tax liability in the preceding year or \$150,000, whichever is lesser, shall be exempt from filing a surety bond.'

## Statement of Fact

This amendment will cover the problems discussed in spelling out the basis for establishing the amount of a surety bond and also gives use fuel dealers an opportunity to file a financial responsibility statement.

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