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House of Representatives, January 14, 1998

An Act to Amend Road Signs along I-95 and the Maine Turnpike to Indicate the Location of Full-service Gas Stations by Using the Handicap Access Symbol.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative DRISCOLL of Calais. Cosponsored by Senator O'GARA of Cumberland and Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CHARTRAND of Rockland, FISHER of Brewer, SAVAGE of Union, WHEELER of Eliot, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senator: CASSIDY of Washington.

	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
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_	Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1912-B, as amended by PL 1995, c. 663, §1,
4	is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:
6	The department shall place the handicap access symbol next to the logo for full-service gas stations. For the purposes of
8	<u>this section, a "full-service gas station" is one at which an</u> employee of the gas station pumps gasoline into customers'
10	vehicles.
12	Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §1967, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1993, c. 612, $\S6$ , is further amended to read:
14	1. Property of the authority. All property of the
16	authority and all property held in the name of the State pursuant to the provisions of this chapter is exempt from levy and sale by
18	virtue of any execution, and an execution or other judicial process is not a valid lien upon its property held pursuant to
<b>2</b> 0	the provisions of this chapter. The authority may not lease, sell or otherwise convey, or allow to be used, any of its real or
22	personal property or easements in that property, franchises, buildings or structures, with access to any part of the turnpike
24	or its approaches, for commercial purposes, with the exception of such intermodal transportation facilities, kiosks at rest areas,
26	gasoline filling stations, service and repair stations, state and tri-state lottery ticket agencies, automatic teller machines and
28	restaurants as it determines necessary to service the needs of the traveling public while using the turnpike, except that the
30	authority may permit the erection or installation of electric power, telegraph, telephone, water, sewer or pipeline facilities;
32	and provided also that the leasehold interests in such intermodal transportation facilities, kiosks, gasoline filling stations,
34	service and repair stations, state and tri-state lottery ticket agencies, automatic teller machines and restaurants are subject
36	to taxation as provided in section 1971. In accordance with rules adopted pursuant to section 1965, subsection 1, paragraph
38	U, the authority may erect and maintain or allow to be erected and maintained signs that contain names, symbols, trademarks,
40	logos or other identifiers of specific commercial enterprises. The authority shall place the handicap access symbol next to the
42	name, symbol, trademark, logo or other identifier of full-service gas stations. For the purposes of this subsection, a
44	"full-service gas station" is one at which an employee of the gas station pumps gasoline into customers' vehicles.
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48	SUMMARY

This bill requires the handicap access symbol to be placed on signs on the Interstate Highway System and the Maine Turnpike to indicate the availability of full-service gas stations.

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