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An Act To Ensure the Safety of Facilities Dispensing Flammable Liquids

Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 204. Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative HASKELL of Portland. Cosponsored by Representative: SIMPSON of Auburn.

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

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2481, sub-§5, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 652, §9, is amended
to read:

5. Permit. "Permit" means the nontransferable permission granted by the
commissioner for a person to install, construct or otherwise establish an aboveground
flammable liquid storage facility or any facility that dispenses flammable liquids.

7 Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2483, as enacted by PL 1999, c. 652, §9, is amended to read:

8 §2483. Permits; requirements; fees

A person may not install, construct or otherwise establish an aboveground flammable
liquid storage facility or any facility that dispenses flammable liquids without a permit.
The commissioner shall issue a permit to a person who:

Application. Submits to the commissioner a completed application form
 furnished by the commissioner accompanied by any required fees; and

2. Construction plans; technical specifications. Submits with the application a
 complete set of construction plans and technical specifications showing the layout of the
 aboveground flammable liquid storage facility- or any other facility that dispenses
 flammable liquids; and

18 3. Compliance. Demonstrates compliance with all rules adopted pursuant to this
 19 chapter.

20 Sec. 3. Applicability to existing facilities. Each existing facility dispensing 21 flammable liquids that was constructed prior to the effective date of this Act and does not 22 have a permit required by this Act shall submit a permit application within 120 days after 23 the effective date of this Act.

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SUMMARY

The bill requires that a permit be obtained prior to installing, constructing or establishing any flammable liquid dispensing facility. Already existing facilities also would need to apply for a permit.