

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 125th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 557

In Senate, December 21, 2011

### **An Act To Protect Gasoline Marketers from Liability for Selling Federally Mandated Gasoline**

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

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 19, 2011. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

*Joseph G. Carleton Jr.*

JOSEPH G. CARLETON, JR.  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HASTINGS of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Representative NASS of Acton and

Senators: KATZ of Kennebec, SHERMAN of Aroostook, THIBODEAU of Waldo, THOMAS of Somerset, Representatives: CRAY of Palmyra, SARTY of Denmark.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §1457-A** is enacted to read:

3 **§1457-A. Liability for use of ethanol enhanced motor fuel**

4 A distributor or retail dealer is not liable for damages caused by the use of motor fuel  
5 containing more than 10% ethanol sold, consigned or distributed by that distributor or  
6 retail dealer if the sale, consignment or distribution of that motor fuel is required by  
7 federal law.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill provides that a distributor or retail dealer of motor fuel is not liable for  
10 damages caused by the use of motor fuel containing more than 10% ethanol sold,  
11 consigned or distributed by that distributor or retail dealer if the sale, consignment or  
12 distribution of that motor fuel is required by federal law.