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## LAWS

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# STATE OF MAINE

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## **PUBLIC LAWS**

OF THE

# STATE OF MAINE

AS PASSED AT THE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

and

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

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ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE

1983

### months from the date of purchase.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved; except that Part C, Sections 1 to 8 shall take effect on January 1, 1984; Part D shall take effect on October 1, 1983; and Part E shall take effect on July 1, 1983.

Effective April 1, 1983. unless otherwise indicated.

#### CHAPTER 95

H.P. 130 - L.D. 138

AN ACT Relating to Motor Fuel Taxes.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, this bill freezes the amount of sales tax paid on certain fuel by political subdivisions at the January 1, 1983, rate; and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that this legislation be enacted as an emergency to avoid the extra tax on fuel; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

36 MRSA §2903, as amended by PL 1981, c. 702, Pt. V, §2, is further amended to read:

### §2903. Tax levied; rebates

An excise tax is levied and imposed at the rate of 9¢ per gallon upon internal combustion engine fuel sold or used within this State, including such sales when made to the State or any political subdivision thereof, for any purpose whatsoever, excepting such internal combustion engine fuel sold or used in such form and under such circumstances as shall preclude the collection of this tax by reason of the laws of

the United States, or sold wholly for exportation from the State, or brought into the State in the ordinary standardized equipment fuel tank attached to and forming a part of a motor vehicle and used in the operation of such vehicle within the State, except that no tax may be levied upon internal combustion engine fuel as defined in section 2902 bought or used by any person, association of persons, firm or corporation for the purpose of propelling jet or turbojet engine aircraft, or sold wholly for exportation from the State, or brought into the State in the fuel tanks of an aircraft, provided that, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Part, the tax rate imposed upon such sales to political subdivisions of the State shall be limited to the rate in effect on January 1, 1983. On the same fuel only one tax shall be paid to the State, for which tax the distributor first receiving the fuel in the State shall be primarily liable to the State, except when such fuel has been sold and delivered to a licensed exporter wholly for exportation from the State, or to another distributor in the State, in which case the purchasing distributor shall be primarily liable to the State for the tax.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

Effective April 1, 1983.

### **CHAPTER 96**

H.P. 1072 - L.D. 1401

AN ACT to Make the Maine Gasoline Tax Implementation Identical to the Federal Implementation.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the 90-day period may not terminate until after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and

Whereas, certain obligations and expenses incident to the operation of state departments and institutions will become due and payable immediately; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,