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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,

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:

 $36\ MRSA\ \S 2903$, as amended by PL 1981, c. 702, Pt. V, $\S 2$ is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Internal combustion fuel, as defined in section 2902, which is held by retailers at the close of March 31, 1983, shall be subject to the 14¢ per gallon tax rate. Retailers, as defined in section 1752, subsection 10, shall be liable for the difference between the 14¢ per gallon tax rate and the 9¢ per gallon tax rate in effect prior to April 1, 1983. Payment shall be made to the State Tax Assessor before May 15, 1983 and it shall be accompanied by the appropriate completed form described by the State Tax Assessor.

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

Effective April 1, 1983.

CHAPTER 97

H.P. 243 - L.D. 290

AN ACT Regarding Courses and their Equivalency Offered at Various Units of the University of Maine.

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

- Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §10902, sub-§13, as enacted by
 PL 1981, c. 693, §§5 and 8, is amended to read:
- 13. <u>Master plan</u>. To give a high priority to the provisions of the master plan for higher education through legislative action and appropriate publicity;
- Sec. 2. 20-A MRSA $\S10902$, sub- $\S\S15$ to 17 are enacted to read: