



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 6115

House of Representatives, April 10, 2001

The Committee on Transportation reported through REP. COCCO of the 127th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING TIRE INFLATION ON A MOTOR VEHICLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 14-325a of the general statutes is repealed and the following
2 is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 Any person licensed under section 14-319 to dispense motor fuel for
4 sale to the public for any motor vehicle, as defined in subdivision (47)
5 of section 14-1, [except any such person who is licensed to so dispense
6 such fuel at a retail food store which he owns and operates and which
7 dispenses less than ten thousand gallons of gasoline in any one
8 month,] shall provide for free public use an air compressor for the
9 purpose of tire inflation during the hours such premises are open for
10 business. Each such licensee shall post a sign in a conspicuous location
11 upon the premises and in such form as the commissioner may require,
12 informing the public of the availability of an air compressor for free
13 public use during the hours such premises are open. Such compressor
14 shall be capable of producing at least eighty pounds per square inch

15 pressure at the outlet.

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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: Department of Consumer Protection

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

State Impact:

The bill expands the requirement for those licensed to dispense motor fuels to make a free air compressor for tire inflation available to the public, to include those licensed to dispense fuel at a retail food store which dispenses less than ten thousand gallons in one month. This may result in a minimal, absorbable workload increase to the seven Department of Consumer Protection weights and measures investigators who inspect gas stations, however no fiscal impact to the agency is anticipated.

OLR BILL ANALYSIS

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SUMMARY:

This bill requires all gasoline and motor fuel retailers to provide an air compressor for free public use for tire inflation during business hours. Currently, anyone licensed to sell fuel at a retail food store he owns and operates and which dispenses less than 10,000 gallons of gasoline a month is exempt from the requirement. By law, fuel retailers subject to the requirements must post a sign in a conspicuous place on their premises informing the public that the compressor is available for free use.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001

COMMITTEE ACTION

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 28 Nay 0