

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to gasoline stations; creating the
3 "Consumer Emergency Gasoline Act"; requiring that retail
4 gasoline stations be equipped with an alternative means of
5 power generation so that the station's fuel pumps may be
6 operated in the event of a power outage; providing a
7 period for existing retail gasoline stations to comply
8 with the act; providing a penalty; providing an effective
9 date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Consumer Emergency Gasoline Act.--

14 (1) Any gasoline station that offers motor fuel for sale
15 at retail to the public must be equipped with an alternative
16 means of power generation on site so that the station's fuel
17 pumps may be operated in the event of a power outage. The
18 alternative means of power generation must be maintained and
19 kept fully operational at all times and the gasoline station
20 must be capable of pumping motor fuel immediately following a
21 loss of power.

22 (2) Subsection (1) applies to any newly constructed
23 gasoline station for which a certificate of occupancy is issued
24 on or after June 1, 2006. A gasoline station that obtained a
25 certificate of occupancy before June 1, 2006, has until December
26 1, 2007, to comply with the requirements of subsection (1).

27 (3) A violation of subsection (1) is a misdemeanor of the
28 second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s.

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29 | 775.083.

30 | Section 2. This act shall take effect June 1, 2006.