

House Bill 388

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 8 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to sale of petroleum products, so as to provide for retail gasoline dealers
3 to post signs warning of the dangers which can be created by static electricity when refueling
4 a motor vehicle; to provide for the Commissioner of Agriculture to develop standards and
5 rules and regulations; to provide for civil penalties for noncompliance; to provide for related
6 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Part 1 of Article 8 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
10 relating to sale of petroleum products, is amended by adding a new Code Section 10-1-158.1
11 to read as follows:

12 "10-1-158.1.

13 (a) The Commissioner of Agriculture shall develop one or more standard signs warning
14 of the dangers which can be created by static electricity when refueling a motor vehicle
15 and, in particular, the dangers created by reentering and exiting a motor vehicle while fuel
16 is pumping.

17 (b) The Commissioner shall promulgate rules requiring retail gasoline dealers to post on
18 their business premises signs in substantial conformity with the standard signs developed
19 by the Commissioner.

20 (c) Any retail gasoline dealer who fails to comply with the rules provided for in this Code
21 section shall be subject to a civil monetary penalty, to be imposed by the Commissioner as
22 provided in Code Section 2-2-10, not to exceed \$1,000.00 for each day on which the
23 requirements of such rules are violated."

24 **SECTION 2.**

25 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.