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AN ACT

1 Requiring retail motor vehicle fuel stations to have air pumps  
2 for the public; and providing penalties.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Duty of retail motor vehicle fuel station owners.

6 (a) General rule.--Every retail motor vehicle fuel station  
7 owner shall make available to the public a power driven air pump  
8 device for the purpose of inflating motor vehicle tires. The  
9 device shall be available for public use at all times that the  
10 station is open for business, except that when the pump becomes  
11 inoperable for any reason, the owner shall not be in violation  
12 of this act if the owner exercises due diligence to repair the  
13 device or provide another operable device as soon as  
14 practicable. Nothing in this act shall preclude any retail motor  
15 vehicle fuel station from charging a fee for this service.

16 (b) Penalty.--Any retail motor vehicle fuel station owner  
17 who violates this act commits a summary offense and shall, upon

1 conviction, for the first offense be sentenced to pay a fine not  
2 exceeding \$300 and for a second and each subsequent offense be  
3 sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

4 (c) Definition.--As used in this act the term "retail motor  
5 vehicle fuel station owner" means any person, firm or  
6 corporation maintaining a place of business where motor vehicle  
7 fuel is sold and dispensed into the tanks of motor vehicles,  
8 either by means of a self-service or full-service pump, whether  
9 or not motor vehicles are serviced or another business is  
10 conducted on the premises.

11 Section 2. Effective date.

12 This act shall take effect in 120 days.