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8	SYNOPSIS: This bill would remove the five thousand
9	dollar bonding requirement for the issuance of an
10	inspection fee permit.
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12	A BILL
13	TO BE ENTITLED
14	AN ACT
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16	To amend Sections 8-17-80, 8-17-87, 8-17-96,
17	8-17-97, 8-17-99 and 8-17-101, Code of Alabama 1975; relating
18	to the bond requirement for applicants for the inspection fee
19	permit.
20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
21	Section 1. Sections 8-17-80, 8-17-87, 8-17-96,
22	8-17-97, 8-17-99 and 8-17-101, Code of Alabama 1975, are
23	amended to read as follows:
24	" §8-17-80.
25	"(a) The following words and phrases, when used in
26	this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this

section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- "(1) AVIATION GASOLINE. Motor fuel designed for use in the operation of aircraft other than jet aircraft, and sold or used for that purpose.
 - "(2) BIODIESEL FUEL. Any motor fuel or mixture of motor fuels that is derived, in whole or in part, from agricultural products or animal fats, or the wastes of such products or fats, and is advertised as, offered for sale as, suitable for use as, or used as motor fuel in a diesel engine.
 - "(3) BLENDED FUEL. A mixture composed of gasoline or diesel fuel and any other liquid that can be used as a motor fuel in a highway vehicle.
 - "(4) BOARD. The Alabama Board of Agriculture and Industries.
 - "(5) BONDED DISTRIBUTOR. A reseller of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, and/or lubricating oil who elects to be bonded in accordance with Section 8-17-96.
 - " $\frac{(6)(5)}{(5)}$ BRAND. The trade name or other designation under which a particular petroleum product is sold, offered for sale, or otherwise identified.
 - "(7)(6) BULK TRANSFER. Any transfer of motor fuel from one location to another by pipeline tender or marine delivery within a bulk transfer/terminal system, including, but not limited to, the following:
- "a. The movement of motor fuel from a refinery or terminal to a terminal by marine vessel or barge.

"b. The movement of motor fuel from a refinery or 1 terminal to a terminal by pipeline. 2 "c. The book or in-tank transfer of motor fuel 3 4 within a terminal between licensed suppliers prior to the completion of removal across the rack. 5 "d. A two-party exchange between licensed suppliers 7 or between licensed suppliers and permissive suppliers. "(8)(7) BULK TRANSFER/TERMINAL SYSTEM. The motor 8 fuel distribution system consisting of refineries, pipelines, 9 10 marine vessels, and terminals. 11 "(9)(8) BULK USER. A person who receives into his or 12 her own storage facilities, in transport truck lots, taxable motor fuel for his or her own consumption. 13 "(10)(9) COMMISSIONER. The Alabama Commissioner of 14 Agriculture and Industries. 15 16 " $\frac{(11)}{(10)}$ (10) DEPARTMENT. The Alabama Department of 17 Agriculture and Industries. " $\frac{(12)}{(11)}$ (11) DIESEL FUEL. Any liquid that is 18 19 advertised, offered for sale, or sold for use as or used as a 20 motor fuel in a diesel-powered engine. Diesel fuel includes #1 and #2 fuel oils, kerosene, special fuels, and blended fuels 21 22 which contain diesel fuel, but shall not include gasoline or 23 aviation fuel. 24 "(13)(12) DYED DIESEL FUEL. Diesel fuel that meets

the dyeing and marking requirements of Section 4082, Title 26

of the United States Code.

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"(14)(13) DYED KEROSENE. Kerosene that meets the
dyeing and marking requirements of Section 4082, Title 26 of
the United States Code.

" $\frac{(15)}{(14)}$ GASOHOL. A blended motor fuel composed of gasoline and motor fuel grade alcohol.

"(16) (15) GASOLINE. Any product commonly or commercially known as gasoline, regardless of classification, that is advertised, offered for sale, or sold for use as or used as motor fuel in an internal combustion engine, including gasohol and blended fuel which contains gasoline. Gasoline also includes gasoline blendstocks as defined under Section 4081, Title 26 of the United States Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder. Gasoline does not include special fuel or aviation gasoline sold to a licensed aviation fuel purchaser for use in an aircraft motor.

"(17)(16) IMPORT. To bring petroleum products into this state for sale, use, or storage by any means of conveyance other than in the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle. Petroleum products delivered into this state from out-of-state by or for the seller constitutes an import by the seller. Petroleum products delivered into this state from out-of-state by or for the purchaser constitutes an import by the purchaser.

"(18)(17) IMPORTER. A person who imports petroleum products into this state.

- "(19) K-1 KEROSENE. A petroleum product having an A.P.I. gravity of not less than 40 degrees, at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and a minimum flash point of 100 degrees Fahrenheit, and which meets American Society for Testing Materials Standard D-3699 as in effect on January 1, 1999.
- "(20) KEROSENE. All grades of kerosene, including, but not limited to, the two grades of kerosene, No. 1-K and No. 2-K, commonly known as K-1 kerosene and K-2 kerosene, respectively, described in the American Society for Testing Materials Standard D-3699, in effect on January 1, 1999, and kerosene-type jet fuel described in the American Society for Testing Materials Standard D-1655 and military specifications MIL-t-5624r and MIL-t-83133d (grades jp-5 and jp8) and any grade described as kerosene or kerosene-type jet fuel by the Internal Revenue Code and administrative guidance promulgated thereunder.
- "(21) LUBRICATING OIL. Those products of petroleum that are commonly used in lubricating or oiling engines and any devices or substitutes for such products of petroleum.
- "(22) NET GALLONS. The amount of dyed diesel fuel and dyed kerosene measured in gallons when adjusted to a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and a pressure of fourteen and seven-tenths pounds pressure per square inch.

"(23) PERMISSIVE SUPPLIER. An out-of-state supplier
that elects, but is not required, to have a supplier's license
as required in Section 40-17-332.

- "(24) PERSON. Any natural person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, receiver, trust, estate, or other entity as well as any other group or combination thereof acting as a unit.
- "(25) PERSON FIRST SELLING. Any person, as herein defined, who first sells dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, and/or lubricating oil in Alabama on which an inspection fee is imposed by this article. The first seller of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, and/or lubricating oil must obtain an inspection fee permit by making application to the Department of Revenue.
- "(26) PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. Gasoline, diesel fuel, and lubricating oil.
 - "(27) RETAILER. A person other than a wholesale distributor that engages in the business of selling or distributing taxable motor fuel to the end user within this state.
- "(28) REVENUE COMMISSIONER. The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Revenue.
- "(29) SPECIAL FUEL. Any gas or liquid, other than gasoline, used or suitable for use as motor fuel in an internal combustion engine or motor to propel any form of vehicle, machine, or mechanical contrivance, and includes products commonly known as natural or casing-head gasoline,

biodiesel fuel, and transmix. Special fuel does not include any petroleum product or chemical compound such as alcohol, industrial solvent, or lubricant, unless blended in or sold for use as motor fuel in an internal combustion engine.

"(30) STATE. The State of Alabama.

- "(31) SUPPLIER. A person who is subject to the general taxing jurisdiction of this state and registered under Section 4101 of the Internal Revenue Code for transactions in motor fuel in the bulk transfer/terminal distribution system and who owns motor fuel in the bulk transfer/terminal system, or a person who receives motor fuel in this state pursuant to a two-party exchange. A terminal operator shall not be considered a supplier based solely on the fact that the terminal operator handles motor fuel consigned to it within a terminal.
- "(32) UNDYED DIESEL FUEL. Diesel fuel that has not been dyed in accordance with the Internal Revenue Service fuel dyeing provisions.
- "(b) The definitions set forth in this section shall be deemed applicable whether the words defined are herein used in the singular or plural.
- "(c) Any pronoun or pronouns used herein shall be deemed to include both singular and plural and to cover all genders."

"\$8-17-87.

"(a) An inspection fee is imposed on the ultimate consumer of gasoline at the rate of two cents (\$.02) per

gallon, if the excise tax levied on gasoline under Section

40-17-325(a)(1) is refunded by the Department of Revenue

unless the ultimate consumer is specifically exempted from the

inspection fee by this code. The Department of Revenue is

authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount due

for the inspection fee.

- "(b) An inspection fee is imposed on the ultimate consumer of undyed diesel fuel at the rate of two cents (\$.02) per gallon, if the excise tax levied on diesel fuel under Section 40-17-325(a)(2) is refunded by the Department of Revenue unless the ultimate consumer is specifically exempted from the inspection fee by this code or unless the undyed diesel fuel is subject to a reduced rate inspection fee in subsection (i). The Department of Revenue is authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount due for the inspection fee.
- "(c) An inspection fee of two cents (\$.02) per gallon is imposed on the first sale within this state or upon importation into this state of dyed diesel fuel unless (1) the purchaser or importer is a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder, in which case the inspection fee is imposed at the point the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder makes a sale to a purchaser who is not a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder, or (2) the purchaser is subject to a reduced rate inspection fee in subsections (e), (f), (g), and (h). The person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor inspection fee

permit holder shall collect the fee imposed by this article. 1 2 If the importer purchases dyed diesel fuel destined for Alabama from a supplier or permissive supplier and the 3 4 importer is not a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit 5 holder and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, the supplier or 6 7 permissive supplier shall collect and remit the inspection fee 8 imposed by this article. If the importer brings dyed diesel fuel in from bulk storage outside the terminal system, the 9 10 importer is responsible for collecting and remitting the 11 inspection fee imposed by this article.

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"(d) An inspection fee of one cent (\$.01) per gallon is imposed on the first sale within this state or upon importation into this state of dyed kerosene unless (1) the purchaser or importer is a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder, in which case the inspection fee is imposed at the point the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder makes a sale to a purchaser who is not a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder, or (2) the purchaser is subject to a reduced rate inspection fee in subsections (e), (f), (g), and (h). The person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder shall collect the fee imposed by this article. If the importer purchases dyed kerosene destined for Alabama from a supplier or permissive supplier and the importer is not a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama

Department of Revenue, the supplier or permissive supplier shall collect and remit the inspection fee imposed by this article. If the importer brings dyed kerosene in from bulk storage outside the terminal system, the importer is responsible for collecting and remitting the inspection fee imposed by this article.

- "(e) Dyed diesel fuel and dyed kerosene that is used by the ultimate consumer thereof as motor fuel to operate boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles, whether such boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles are used commercially or for pleasure, shall be subject to the reduced inspection fee of one fortieth of \$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon. This reduced rate only applies to purchases by the ultimate consumer directly from a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder. The person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder shall collect the fee imposed by this article.
- "(f) Dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene used by the ultimate consumer thereof to propel or operate tractors which are not operated on public highways but which are used exclusively in preparing and cultivating land, harvesting any agricultural commodity, or for other agricultural purposes, including pasture and hay production; provided, however, that the term tractors as used herein shall not include automobiles, trucks, pickups, trailers, semitrailers, or other such vehicles, shall be subject to the reduced inspection fee of one fortieth of \$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon. This reduced

rate only applies to purchases by the ultimate consumer

directly from a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit

holder. The person first selling, the person importing, or the

bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder shall collect

the fee imposed by this article.

- "(g) Dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene that is of the types customarily used as, and that is intended to be used only as, fuel to propel railroad locomotives, shall be subject to the reduced inspection fee of one fortieth of \$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon. This reduced rate only applies to purchases by the ultimate consumer directly from a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder. The person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder shall collect the fee imposed by this article.
 - "(h) Dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene used by the ultimate consumer thereof as a solvent or other agent in the treatment or preservation of wood products, shall be subject to the reduced inspection fee of one fortieth of \$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon. This reduced rate only applies to purchases by the ultimate consumer directly from a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder. The person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder shall collect the fee imposed by this article.
 - "(i) An inspection fee is imposed on the ultimate consumer of undyed diesel fuel at the rate of one fortieth of

\$.01 (\$.00025) per gallon, if the excise tax levied on undyed diesel fuel under Section 40-17-325(a)(2) is refunded by the

Department of Revenue and the ultimate consumer specifically used the undyed diesel fuel:

- "(1) To operate boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles, whether such boats, yachts, ships, or other maritime vehicles are used commercially or for pleasure;
- "(2) To propel or operate tractors which are not operated on public highways but which are used exclusively in preparing and cultivating land, harvesting any agricultural commodity, or for other agricultural purposes, including pasture and hay production; provided, however, that the term tractors as used herein shall not include automobiles, trucks, pickups, trailers, semitrailers, or other such vehicles;
 - "(3) To propel railroad locomotives; or
- "(4) As solvent or other agent in the treatment or preservation of wood products.

"The Department of Revenue is authorized to reduce the excise tax refund by the amount due for the inspection fee.

"(j) An inspection fee of fifteen cents (\$.15) per gallon is imposed on the person first selling lubricating oil in this state or importing lubricating oil into this state, regardless of whether the excise taxes levied on lube oil under Sections 40-17-171 and 40-17-220 are paid, unless the purchaser or importer is a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder, in which case the inspection fee is imposed

at the point the bonded distributor inspection fee permit

holder makes a sale to a purchaser who is not a bonded

distributor an inspection fee permit holder. The person first

selling, the person importing, or bonded distributor

inspection fee permit holder shall collect the fee imposed by

this article.

- "(k) An inspection fee of two cents (\$.02) per gallon is imposed on removal within this state of gasoline and undyed diesel fuel from the terminal using the terminal rack, other than by bulk transfer, if the supplier sells the gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to a licensed entity which is exempt from the excise tax levied on gasoline or diesel fuel under Section 40-17-325(a); unless the purchaser is the federal government. The supplier shall collect the inspection fee imposed by this article from the purchaser at the time of sale of the gasoline or undyed diesel fuel.
- "(1) An inspection fee of two cents (\$.02) per gallon is imposed at the time gasoline and undyed diesel fuel is imported into this state, other than by bulk transfer, for delivery to a destination in this state, if the supplier sells the gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to a licensed entity which is exempt from the excise tax levied on gasoline or diesel fuel under Section 40-17-325(a); unless the purchaser is the federal government. The supplier or permissive supplier shall collect the inspection fee imposed by this article from the person who imports the gasoline or undyed diesel fuel into this state.

"(m) In each subsequent sale of petroleum products on which the inspection fee has been paid, the amount of the inspection fee shall be added to the selling price so that the inspection fee is paid ultimately by the person using or consuming the petroleum product.

"(n) Petroleum products in a refinery, a pipeline, a terminal, or a marine vessel transporting petroleum products to a refinery or terminal is in the bulk transfer/terminal system. Petroleum products in a motor fuel storage facility including, but not limited to, a bulk plant that is not part of a refinery or terminal, in the motor fuel supply tank of any engine or motor vehicle, or in any tank car, rail car, trailer, truck, or other equipment suitable for ground transportation is not in the bulk transfer/terminal system.

- "(o) The inspection fee provided for in this section is in addition to all other fees and all taxes payable with respect to petroleum products. The inspection fee shall be paid on the net gallons of dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene.
- "(p) Aviation gasoline and aviation jet fuel are exempt from the inspection fee."

"\$8-17-96.

"(a) The supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel sold to a licensed exempt entity other than the federal government at the rack, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and

does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or the person first selling, the person importing, or the person who makes application to become a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil in this state shall submit an application for an inspection fee permit to the Department of Revenue, which shall be approved by the Department of Revenue. Upon approval of the inspection fee application, the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel sold to a licensed exempt entity other than the federal government by a supplier or permissive supplier at the rack, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or the first person selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil shall file with the Department of Revenue a bond in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) prior to the issuance of an inspection fee permit. The bond shall be in such form and amount as may be approved by the Revenue Commissioner, shall be executed by a surety company licensed and duly authorized to do business in Alabama, shall be payable to the State of Alabama and shall be conditioned upon the prompt filing of true reports and the payment by the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel

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fuel sold to a licensed exempt entity other than the federal government by a supplier or permissive supplier at the rack, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or the first person selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil to the Department of Revenue of all inspection fees which are imposed by Section 8-17-87 with respect to gasoline, undyed diesel fuel, dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil, together with all penalties and interest thereon, and generally upon faithful compliance with the provisions of this division. Upon approval of the required bond, the Revenue Department shall issue to the applicant an inspection fee permit. This permit is not transferable and remains in effect until surrendered or canceled.

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"(b) In the event that liability upon any bond filed under the provisions of this section shall be discharged or reduced, whether by judgment entered, payment made, or otherwise, or if in the opinion of the Revenue Commissioner any surety on the bond theretofore given shall become unsatisfactory or unacceptable, then the Revenue Commissioner may require the filing of a new or additional bond conditioned as hereinabove provided. The surety will remain liable for any

liability that has accrued or will accrue prior to the effective date of this Act.

"(c) The Department of Revenue shall notify a permit holder at his or her last known address by first class U.S. mail or, at the option of the Department of Revenue, certified mail, return receipt requested, that it is requiring such new or additional bond for any reason as provided above, and the permit holder, within 30 days from the date such notice is mailed by the Department of Revenue, shall (1) file the new or additional bond as requested by the Department of Revenue, or (2) file a notice of appeal as allowed in Section 40-2A-8. The Department of Revenue may immediately cancel the permit upon the expiration of the 30-day appeal period set out in Section 40-2A-8 if the permit holder fails to either provide the new or additional bond requested by the Department of Revenue or timely appeal under Section 40-2A-8.

by any supplier, permissive supplier, importer, first seller, or bonded distributor under this section shall in no event be less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000); except that the Revenue Commissioner may require such additional bond as may be deemed necessary to insure the prompt payment of all inspection fees on the sale of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel sold to exempt entities, other than the federal government, by the supplier or permissive supplier at the terminal rack, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an

importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or on the sale of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil due, or to become due, the state by the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to exempt entities, other than the federal government, by the supplier or permissive supplier at the terminal rack, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or by the person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil.

"(e) Any surety on any bond furnished by the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel sold to exempt entities, other than the federal government by the supplier or permissive supplier at the terminal rack, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out of state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or by the person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil, as above provided, shall be released and

discharged from any and all liability to the State of Alabama accruing on such bond after the expiration of 30 days from the date upon which surety shall have filed with the Department of Revenue written request to be released and discharged; provided, however, that such request shall not operate to relieve, release, or discharge such surety from any liability already accrued or which shall accrue before the expiration of such 30-day period. The Revenue Commissioner shall promptly, upon receipt of notice of such request, notify the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to exempt entities, other than the federal government, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or the person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil who furnished such bond of the request of the surety on the bond and, unless such supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to exempt entities, other than the federal government, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or the person first selling, the person importing, or

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the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil shall file, on or before the expiration of such 30-day period, with the Department of Revenue a new bond in the amount and form hereinbefore in this section provided, the Revenue Commissioner shall cancel the permit of the supplier or permissive supplier of gasoline or undyed diesel fuel to exempt entities, other than the federal government, or the supplier or permissive supplier selling dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene at the rack at an out-of-state terminal to an importer for delivery into Alabama that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue, or the person first selling, person importing, or the bonded distributor of dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil in accordance with the provisions of Section 40-2A 8."

"§8-17-97.

"(a) It shall be the duty of the person first selling dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil in this state or importing dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil into the state, on which an inspection fee is due to collect and pay such inspection fee to the Department of Revenue each month in respect of all dyed diesel fuel, dyed kerosene, or lubricating oil sold or imported in the state during the preceding month unless the purchaser is a bonded distributor an inspection fee permit holder.

"(b) It shall be the duty of the supplier or permissive supplier to collect and pay the inspection fee to

the Department of Revenue each month in respect of all dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene destined for Alabama that is sold to an importer that is not a bonded distributor and does not have a valid inspection fee permit issued by the Alabama Department of Revenue.

- "(c) It shall be the duty of the supplier or permissive supplier to collect the inspection fee imposed by this article from the licensed exempt entity unless the licensed exempt entity is an entity of the federal government on sales at the terminal rack and remit payment each month in respect of all gasoline or undyed diesel fuel sold in the state during the preceding month to licensed exempt entities other than the federal government.
- "(d) Each supplier, permissive supplier, importer, first seller, or bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder shall file the monthly returns and monthly remittance, in a format prescribed by the Revenue Commissioner, on or before the 20th day of each calendar month for the preceding month with the Department of Revenue. The taxpayer is required to file an electronic report through the Department of Revenue's electronic filing system.
- "(e) The inspection fee provided for in this section shall be paid but once with respect to the same product; but in the event any person fails to make the required electronic report or payment as herein provided on or before the date such payment is due, the Revenue Commissioner shall add to the inspection fee already due interest as prescribed in Section

40-1-44 and any applicable penalties as prescribed in Chapter
2 A of Title 40. The Revenue Commissioner shall then proceed to
3 collect the inspection fee, together with the interest and
4 penalties, in accordance with the provisions of Title 40.

"(f) The inspection fee, interest, and any penalties added thereto shall constitute and operate as a lien at all times until paid upon any petroleum products sold, offered for sale, stored, or used in the state by the person liable for the fee, and shall be immediately enforceable by the Revenue Commissioner in accordance with established collection procedures of the Department of Revenue.

"(g) The Revenue Commissioner shall have authority to adopt and promulgate reasonable rules and regulations to effectuate the evident intent and purpose of this section with respect to reporting, collection, remittance, and payments of the petroleum products inspection fees imposed under this article which shall not conflict with any of the express provisions and requirements of this section."

"§8-17-99.

- "(a) The person first selling, the person importing, or the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder of dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene may take a deduction on the monthly return for sales of dyed diesel fuel or dyed kerosene to the following:
 - "(1) United States Government.
- "(2) Exports by the bonded distributor inspection fee permit holder.

1	"(3) Sales from one Alabama bonded distributor
2	inspection fee permit holder to another Alabama bonded
3	distributor inspection fee permit holder.
4	"(4) Sales to the ultimate consumer for use in
5	firing steam boilers or combustion generating turbines by
6	compression.
7	"(b) The person first selling, the person importing,
8	or the bonded distributor <u>inspection fee permit holder</u> of
9	lubricating oil may take a deduction on the monthly return for
10	sales of lubricating oil to the following:
11	"(1) United States Government.
12	"(2) Exports by the bonded distributor inspection
13	fee permit holder.
14	"(3) Sales from one Alabama bonded distributor
15	inspection fee permit holder to another Alabama bonded
16	distributor inspection fee permit holder."
17	" §8-17-101.
18	"(a) In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 2A
19	of Title 40, the Department of Revenue may cancel the
20	inspection fee permit required under Section 8-17-96, upon
21	written notice sent to the permit holder's last known address,
22	as it appears in the Department of Revenue's files, for any of
23	the following reasons:
24	"(1) Filing by the permit holder of a false report
25	of the data or information required by this article.

"(2) Failure, refusal, or neglect of the permit

holder to file a report or to provide any information required

by this article.

- "(3) Failure of the permit holder to pay the full amount of all excise taxes and inspection fees due or to pay any penalties or interest due.
- "(4) Failure of the permit holder to keep accurate records of the quantities of petroleum products received, produced, refined, manufactured, compounded, sold, imported, or used in Alabama.
- "(5) Failure to file a new or additional surety bond upon request of the Department of Revenue pursuant to Section 40-17-96.
- "(6) (5) Conviction of the permit holder or a principal of the permit holder for any act prohibited under this article.
- "(7)(6) Failure, refusal, or neglect of a permit holder to comply with any other provision of this article or any rule promulgated pursuant to this article.
- "(8)(7) Having a motor fuel license or registration issued by this state or another state canceled for cause.
- " $\frac{(9)}{(8)}$ For any change in the ownership or control of the business.
 - "(b) Upon cancellation of any permit for any cause listed above, the inspection fee levied under this article becomes due and payable on all untaxed petroleum products held in storage or otherwise in the possession of the permit holder

and all petroleum products sold, delivered, imported, or used 1 2 prior to the cancellation on which the fee has not been paid. 3 "(c) The permit can be canceled upon the written request of the permit holder." 4 5 Section 2. All laws or parts of laws which conflict with this act are repealed. 6 Section 3. This act shall become effective 7 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or 8 its otherwise becoming law. 9