

## S 1263

### Petroleum Consumer Price Gouging Protection Act

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### Committee Activity

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Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 2, 2007

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### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 357	Related bill	<b>Apr 7, 2008:</b> Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 630.

### Summary (as of May 2, 2007)

Petroleum Consumer Price Gouging Protection Act - Declares it unlawful for a supplier to sell crude oil, gasoline, or petroleum distillates at an unconscionably excessive price in an area the President declares an energy emergency area.

States it is unlawful for any person to employ, in connection with the wholesale purchase or sale of crude oil, gasoline, or petroleum distillates, any manipulative or deceptive device or contrivance in contravention of Federal Trade Commission (FTC) rules.

States it is unlawful for any person to report information to the FTC related to the wholesale price of crude oil, gasoline, or petroleum distillates if the person: (1) knows, or reasonably should know, the information to be false or misleading; and (2) intends the false or misleading data to affect market data compiled by the FTC for statistical or analytical purposes.

Authorizes the President to declare a federal energy emergency if the well-being of U.S. citizens is at risk because of a shortage or imminent shortage of adequate supplies of crude oil, gasoline, or petroleum distillates because of: (1) a disruption in the national distribution system; or (2) significant pricing anomalies in the national energy markets for such products.

Empowers the FTC and state attorneys general to enforce this Act.

Declares that this Act does not preempt state law.

Sets forth civil and criminal penalties for violations of this Act.

### Actions Timeline

- May 2, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
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