

MOTOR FUEL TAX ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 403 of 2000

207.1108 Violation of shipping paper requirements as honest error; relief; coordination for operation of common telephone diversion verification number assignment system.

Sec. 108.

(1) The department shall provide for relief where a shipment of motor fuel is legitimately diverted from the represented destination state after the shipping paper has been issued by the terminal operator or where the terminal operator failed to cause proper information to be printed on the shipping paper.

(2) The relief is subject to all of the following requirements:

(a) That the shipper, the transporter, or an agent of either provides notification before the diversion or correction to the department if an intended diversion or correction is to occur.

(b) That a verification number be assigned and manually added to the face of the shipping paper.

(c) That the relief provisions are consistent with the refund provisions of this act.

(3) If a person alleged to be in violation of sections 101 to 107 establishes to the department's satisfaction that the violation was the result of honest error made in the context of a good-faith and reasonable effort to properly account for and report motor fuel shipments and tax, the person shall not be subject to the civil penalties set forth in this act for violating those provisions.

(4) The department may coordinate with other states, Canadian provinces, and the federation of tax administrators for the operation of a common telephonic diversion verification number assignment system.

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