

1 AN ACT

2 RELATING TO OIL AND GAS; AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE LPG AND CNG
3 ACT TO DEFINE "LIQUEFIED NATURAL GASES" AND "LNG"; PROVIDING
4 A PENALTY.

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6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

7 SECTION 1. Section 70-5-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1947,
8 Chapter 214, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

9 "70-5-1. DEFINITIONS.--As used in the LPG and CNG Act:

10 A. "liquefied petroleum gases", "LPG" or "LP gas"
11 means any material that is composed predominantly of any of
12 the following hydrocarbons or mixtures of them: propane,
13 propylene, butanes (normal butane or iso-butane) and
14 butylenes;

15 B. "compressed natural gases", "CNG", "liquefied
16 natural gases" and "LNG" means mixtures of hydrocarbon gases,
17 vapors or liquids consisting principally of methane that has
18 been compressed for vehicular fuel;

19 C. "product" or "products" of liquefied petroleum
20 gases or compressed natural gases are considered to be
21 liquefied petroleum gases or compressed natural gases,
22 respectively;

23 D. "qualified instructor" means an employee, owner
24 or other qualified individual who has passed the required
25 examination and performed for at least one year the work

1 being taught;

2 E. "inspector" means a person hired by the bureau
3 to enforce under administrative direction the laws and safety
4 rules and regulations of the bureau with respect to the LP
5 gas industry and the use of CNG and LNG in motor vehicles;

6 F. "division" means the construction industries
7 division of the regulation and licensing department;

8 G. "bureau" means the liquefied petroleum and
9 compressed gas bureau of the division; and

10 H. "commission" means the construction industries
11 commission."

12 SECTION 2. Section 70-5-21 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1947,
13 Chapter 214, Section 22, as amended) is amended to read:

14 "70-5-21. MISDEMEANOR.--Any person violating any
15 provision of the LPG and CNG Act or the rules, regulations or
16 orders of the bureau or the commission issued pursuant to
17 that act is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished
18 pursuant to Subsection A of Section 31-19-1 NMSA 1978."