109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3964

To prohibit anticompetitive provisions in gasoline dealer franchise agreements that dictate the wholesale source of gasoline.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

September 29, 2005

Ms. Slaughter (for herself and Mr. Larson of Connecticut) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Eliminate Gas Price
- 5 Discrimination Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. GASOLINE FRANCHISE CONDITIONS.
- 7 (a) Amendment.—Title I of the Petroleum Mar-
- 8 keting Practices Act (15 U.S.C. 2801–2806) is amended
- 9 by adding at the end the following new section:

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- 2 "Sec. 107. No franchise may include as a condition
- 3 a limitation on the source from which a franchisee may
- 4 obtain motor fuel, except that the franchisee may be re-
- 5 quired to obtain only motor fuels with respect to which
- 6 the franchisor, or the refiner that supplies the franchisor,
- 7 owns or controls a trademark.".
- 8 (b) Clerical Amendment.—The table of contents
- 9 of the Petroleum Marketing Practices Act is amended by
- 10 adding after the item relating to section 106 the following
- 11 new item:

"Sec. 107. Limitation on conditions.".

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