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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to purchase of cleaner vehicles for use by state agencies

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 201-b  
2     to read as follows:  
3     S 201-B. PURCHASE OF CLEANER VEHICLES FOR USE BY STATE AGENCIES. 1.  
4     DEFINITIONS. AS USED IN THIS SECTION:  
5     (A) "ALTERNATIVE FUEL" MEANS NATURAL GAS, LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS,  
6     HYDROGEN, ELECTRICITY, AND ANY OTHER FUEL WHICH IS AT LEAST EIGHTY-FIVE  
7     PERCENT, SINGLY OR IN COMBINATION, METHANOL, ETHANOL, ANY OTHER ALCOHOL  
8     OR ETHER.  
9     (B) "ALTERNATIVE FUEL MOTOR VEHICLE" MEANS A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT IS  
10    OPERATED USING SOLELY AN ALTERNATIVE FUEL OR IS OPERATED USING SOLELY AN  
11    ALTERNATIVE FUEL IN COMBINATION WITH GASOLINE OR DIESEL FUEL.  
12    (C) "GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING" MEANS THE VALUE SPECIFIED BY THE  
13    MANUFACTURER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE MODEL AS THE MAXIMUM DESIGN LOADED  
14    WEIGHT OF A SINGLE VEHICLE OF THAT MODEL.  
15    (D) "LIGHT-DUTY VEHICLE" MEANS ANY MOTOR VEHICLE HAVING A GROSS VEHI-  
16    CLE WEIGHT RATING OF EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS OR LESS.  
17    (E) "MEDIUM-DUTY VEHICLE" MEANS ANY MOTOR VEHICLE HAVING A GROSS VEHI-  
18    CLE WEIGHT RATING OF MORE THAN EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS BUT  
19    NOT MORE THAN FOURTEEN THOUSAND POUNDS.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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(F) "MOTOR VEHICLE" MEANS A VEHICLE OPERATED OR DRIVEN UPON A PUBLIC HIGHWAY WHICH IS PROPELLED BY ANY POWER OTHER THAN MUSCULAR POWER, EXCEPT ELECTRICALLY-DRIVEN MOBILITY ASSISTANCE DEVICES OPERATED OR DRIVEN BY A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY.

(G) "PURCHASE" MEANS PURCHASE, LEASE, BORROW, OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRE.

(H) "STATE AGENCY" MEANS ANY DEPARTMENT, BOARD, BUREAU, COMMISSION, DIVISION, OFFICE, COUNCIL, COMMITTEE OR OFFICER OF THE STATE, OR A PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION OR PUBLIC AUTHORITY AT LEAST ONE OF WHOSE MEMBERS IS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, BUT SHALL NOT INCLUDE THE GOVERNOR OR AGENCIES IN THE LEGISLATIVE OR JUDICIAL BRANCHES.

(I) "B100" SHALL MEAN BIO-DIESEL IN ITS PURE FORM.

(J) "B20" SHALL MEAN A MIXTURE OF TWENTY PERCENT BIO-DIESEL AND EIGHTY PERCENT PETROLEUM FUEL.

(K) "B5" SHALL MEAN A MIXTURE OF FIVE PERCENT BIO-DIESEL AND NINETY-FIVE PERCENT PETROLEUM FUEL.

(L) "E85" SHALL MEAN A MIXTURE OF EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT ETHANOL AND FIFTEEN PERCENT PETROLEUM FUEL.

2. ON AND AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF ALL NEW LIGHT-DUTY VEHICLES PURCHASED BY STATE AGENCIES SHALL BE ALTERNATIVE FUEL MOTOR VEHICLES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SPECIALTY, POLICE OR EMERGENCY VEHICLES AS DESIGNATED BY THE DIVISION OF THE BUDGET.

3. (A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED ONE-A OF THIS ARTICLE, AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED FOR IN PARAGRAPHS (B) AND (C) OF THIS SUBDIVISION, ON AND AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN EACH MEDIUM-DUTY VEHICLE THAT A STATE AGENCY PURCHASES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SPECIALTY, POLICE OR EMERGENCY VEHICLES AS DESIGNATED BY THE DIVISION OF THE BUDGET, SHALL ACHIEVE THE HIGHEST OF THE FOLLOWING RATINGS, WITH SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH BEING THE HIGHEST VEHICLE RATING, APPLICABLE TO MOTOR VEHICLES CERTIFIED TO CALIFORNIA LEV II STANDARDS AND AVAILABLE WITHIN THE APPLICABLE MODEL YEAR FOR A MEDIUM-DUTY VEHICLE THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INTENDED USE OF SUCH VEHICLE:

(I) ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE (ZEV)

(II) ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PARTIAL ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE (ATPZEV)

(III) PARTIAL ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE (PZEV)

(IV) SUPER ULTRA LOW EMISSION VEHICLE (SULEV)

(V) ULTRA LOW EMISSION VEHICLE (ULEV)

(VI) LOW EMISSION VEHICLE (LEV)

(B) THE STATE AGENCY SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE A ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE OR ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PARTIAL ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SUBDIVISION IF THE ONLY AVAILABLE VEHICLE OR VEHICLES THAT ACHIEVE SUCH A RATING COST GREATER THAN FIFTY PERCENT MORE THAN THE LOWEST BID AS DETERMINED BY THE APPLICABLE PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR A VEHICLE AVAILABLE IN THE NEXT HIGHEST RATING CATEGORY THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INTENDED USE BY THE AGENCY OF SUCH VEHICLE.

(C) NOTWITHSTANDING THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SUBDIVISION, SUCH REQUIREMENTS NEED NOT APPLY TO A MAXIMUM OF FIVE PERCENT OF THE MEDIUM-DUTY VEHICLES PURCHASED WITHIN EACH YEAR.

4. WHEN PURCHASING VEHICLES OTHER THAN LIGHT-DUTY AND MEDIUM-DUTY VEHICLES, INCLUDING NON-ROAD VEHICLES, STATE AGENCIES SHALL PURCHASE THE MOST FUEL EFFICIENT MODEL IN THE VEHICLE CLASS UNLESS THE AGENCY HEAD CERTIFIES IN WRITING THAT PURCHASE OF SUCH MODEL WOULD NOT MEET THE NEEDS OF THE AGENCY.

5. ALL VEHICLES SHALL BE MAINTAINED AND OPERATED IN A MANNER WHICH MAXIMIZES FUEL EFFICIENCY AND MINIMIZES AIR POLLUTION. THE COMMISSIONER

1 OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES  
2 DESIGNED TO REDUCE PETROLEUM CONSUMPTION AND EMISSIONS THROUGH SUCH  
3 MEASURES AS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FLEET MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO REDUCE  
4 VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED, AND THE INSTITUTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF MAINTENANCE,  
5 FUELING AND DRIVING POLICIES TO MAXIMIZE FUEL ECONOMY.

6 6. ALL STATE AGENCIES SHALL ENSURE THAT VEHICLES CAPABLE OF OPERATING  
7 ON E85 ETHANOL FUEL SHALL DO SO WHENEVER IT IS FEASIBLE TO DO SO. THE  
8 GOVERNOR'S CLEAN VEHICLE COUNCIL SHALL PREPARE A PLAN OUTLINING STEPS  
9 THAT CAN BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT, TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, ALL  
10 FLEXIBLE-FUELED VEHICLES IN THE STATE FLEET THAT CAN UTILIZE ETHANOL  
11 FUELS WILL DO SO, AND IDENTIFY AND IMPLEMENT MEASURES TO PROVIDE FOR  
12 SUCH REFUELING.

13 7. (A) THE GOVERNOR'S CLEAN VEHICLE COUNCIL SHALL PREPARE A REPORT  
14 DETAILING HOW SUCH AGENCIES SHALL PURCHASE, ALLOCATE, DISTRIBUTE AND  
15 UTILIZE BIO-DIESEL IN STATE VEHICLES. STATE AGENCIES SHALL PURCHASE,  
16 ALLOCATE, DISTRIBUTE AND UTILIZE BIO-DIESEL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
17 AFOREMENTIONED REPORT, AND AS SPECIFIED IN THE TABLE BELOW. THE PERCENT-  
18 AGE OF DIESEL SHALL BE A BLENDED EQUIVALENT WHICH RESULTS IN AN OVERALL  
19 CONSUMPTION OF B100 AS SET FORTH BELOW.

20 CALENDAR YEAR	B100 PERCENTAGE
21 2015	6.0%
22 2016	7.0%
23 2017	8.0%
24 2018	10.0%

25 IN TWO THOUSAND TWENTY AND THEREAFTER, THE PERCENTAGE OF DIESEL AS  
26 SPECIFIED ABOVE SHALL BE SET BY THE COMMISSIONER OF GENERAL SERVICES BY  
27 REGULATION, BUT SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN TEN PERCENT.

28 (B) IN COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS  
29 SECTION, STATE AGENCIES MAY SUBSTITUTE THE USE OF FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY  
30 GALLONS OF B100 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF ONE ALTERNATIVE FUEL MOTOR VEHICLE.  
31 USE OF TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY GALLONS OF B20 OR USE OF  
32 NINE THOUSAND GALLONS OF B5 MAY ALSO BE SUBSTITUTED FOR ONE ALTERNATIVE  
33 FUEL MOTOR VEHICLE. NO MORE THAN FIFTY PERCENT OF A GIVEN STATE AGENCY'S  
34 ALTERNATIVE FUELED MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASE REQUIREMENT MAY BE MET BY  
35 SUBSTITUTING B100, B20 OR B5 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH.

36 (C) THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBDIVISION MAY BE WAIVED, EITHER IN  
37 WHOLE OR IN PART, BY ANY STATE AGENCY UPON A FINDING BY THE HEAD OF SUCH  
38 AGENCY THAT ADHERENCE TO SUCH REQUIREMENT WOULD HAVE UNACCEPTABLE  
39 IMPACTS UPON THE RELIABLE AND SAFE OPERATION OF SUCH VEHICLES, OR UPON  
40 THE LIFE CYCLE OR WARRANTED PERFORMANCE OF CERTAIN CRITICAL COMPONENTS  
41 OF SUCH VEHICLES. SUCH WAIVERS SHALL BE IN EFFECT NO LONGER THAN NECESSARY  
42 TO ADDRESS THE CONDITION, OR FOR A MAXIMUM OF SIXTY DAYS FROM THE  
43 ISSUANCE OF THE FINDING, WHICHEVER ONE IS LESS; HOWEVER, IN THE EVENT  
44 THAT THE CONDITION THAT GIVES RISE TO THE WAIVER IS NOT CAPABLE OF BEING  
45 RESOLVED WITHIN A SIXTY-DAY PERIOD, SUCH WAIVERS MAY BE EXTENDED FOR AN  
46 ADDITIONAL PERIOD BY THE HEAD OF THE AGENCY WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF THE  
47 PRESIDENT OF THE NEW YORK STATE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY,  
48 AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION.

49 8. NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY FIFTEENTH, TWO THOUSAND SEVENTEEN, AND NOT  
50 LATER THAN FEBRUARY FIFTEENTH OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE COMMISSIONER  
51 OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT  
52 OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY A REPORT ON THE  
53 EFFORTS OF EACH AGENCY TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION. SUCH REPORT SHALL BE  
54 PREPARED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE GOVERNOR'S CLEAN VEHICLE COUNCIL AND  
55 SHALL INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM, INFORMATION ON THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES  
56 DURING THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR: (A) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF

1 LIGHT-DUTY VEHICLES, MEDIUM-DUTY VEHICLES, HEAVY DUTY VEHICLES AND OTHER  
2 MOTOR VEHICLES (INCLUDING NON-ROAD VEHICLES), RESPECTIVELY, PURCHASED BY  
3 SUCH AGENCY; (B) THE TYPE OR TYPES OF FUEL USED BY EACH SUCH VEHICLE;  
4 (C) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES, RESPECTIVELY, PURCHASED BY SUCH AGENCY  
5 THAT ARE CERTIFIED TO CALIFORNIA LEV II STANDARDS IN EACH OF THE SIX  
6 RATING CATEGORIES LISTED IN PARAGRAPH (A) OF SUBDIVISION THREE OF THIS  
7 SECTION, DISAGGREGATED ACCORDING TO VEHICLE MODEL; (D) THE TOTAL VEHICLE  
8 MILES TRAVELED BY SUCH VEHICLES; AND (E) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUEL  
9 CONSUMED BY EACH CATEGORY OF MOTOR VEHICLES OPERATED BY AN AGENCY AND  
10 THE ESTIMATED TOTAL AMOUNT OF EQUIVALENT CARBON DIOXIDE EMITTED BY SUCH  
11 VEHICLES, DISAGGREGATED ACCORDING TO FUEL TYPE.

12 S 2. Not later than February 15, 2016, the commissioner of general  
13 services shall submit to the governor, the temporary president of the  
14 senate and the speaker of the assembly a report on the status of motor  
15 vehicles operated by state agencies. Such report shall be prepared in  
16 conjunction with the governor's clean vehicle council and shall include,  
17 at a minimum, the following information: (a) the total number of light-  
18 duty vehicles, medium-duty vehicles, heavy-duty vehicles and other motor  
19 vehicles (including non-road vehicles), respectively, operated by such  
20 agency; (b) the type or types of fuel used by each such vehicle; (c) the  
21 total number of vehicles, respectively, operated by such agency that are  
22 certified to California LEV II standards in each of the six rating cate-  
23 gories listed in paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 201-b of the  
24 executive law, as added by section one of this act, disaggregated  
25 according to vehicle model; (d) the total vehicle miles traveled by such  
26 vehicles in 2015; and (e) the total amount of fuel consumed by each  
27 category of motor vehicles operated by an agency and the estimated total  
28 amount of equivalent carbon dioxide emitted by such vehicles in 2015,  
29 disaggregated according to fuel type.

30 S 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2016; provided, however,  
31 that the commissioner of general services is immediately authorized and  
32 directed to take any and all actions necessary, including the promulga-  
33 tion of rules and regulations, to implement this act on or before such  
34 effective date.