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HOUSE BILL 806

Short Title: Rebate and Grant Program for AFVs. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Tolson; and Insko.

Referred to: Finance.

March 31, 2003

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN ALTERNATIVE FUEL AND ALTERNATIVE FUEL  
3 VEHICLE REBATE AND INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 113B of the General Statutes is amended by adding a  
6 new Article to read:

"Article 3.

"Alternative Fuel and Vehicle Rebate and Infrastructure Grant Program.

9 **"§ 113B-30. Alternative fuel and vehicle rebate and infrastructure Grant Program**  
10 **established.**

11 (a) There is created an alternative fuel and vehicle rebate and infrastructure grant  
12 program to be administered by the State Energy Office.

13 (b) The program shall provide for all of the following:

14 (1) Partial rebates to first owners for incremental cost differences for  
15 eligible alternative fueled and hybrid vehicles.

16 (2) Limited rebates for State taxes paid on the incremental costs of  
17 alternative motor fuels.

18 (3) Grants for alternative motor fuel infrastructure projects.

19 (c) The program shall include a cap on the number and amounts of rebates and  
20 grants to limit them to the available funds. There shall be no entitlement to any rebate or  
21 grant under the program.

22 **"§ 113B-31. Implementation and administration.**

23 (a) The State Energy Office shall issue rules implementing the program  
24 established in G.S. 113B-30.

25 (b) These rules shall be issued after consultation with other State agencies,  
26 including the Departments of Transportation, Correction, Public Instruction, Revenue,  
27 and Environment and Natural Resources and interested organizations and businesses.

28 (c) These rules shall comply with environmental and energy regulations issued  
29 by the United States Department of Energy and the Environmental Protection Agency.

1 **"§ 113B-32. Funding.**

2 (a) The program established pursuant to G.S. 113B-30 shall be funded by an  
3 increase in all registration fees for motor vehicles registered in this State according to  
4 the following schedule:

5 (1) There shall be a one-dollar (\$1.00) increase in all registration fees  
6 collected by the Division of Motor Vehicles pursuant to any provision  
7 in Chapter 20 of the General Statutes for the first three years of the  
8 existence of the program.

9 (2) There shall be a two-dollar (\$2.00) increase in all registration fees  
10 collected by the Division of Motor Vehicles pursuant to any provision  
11 in Chapter 20 of the General Statutes for the fourth through the tenth  
12 year of the existence of the program.

13 (b) The funds collected by the Division of Motor Vehicles shall be transferred  
14 quarterly to a special account in the Department of Administration for the State Energy  
15 Office to administer the program and provide the rebates and grants.

16 (c) The State Energy Office and the Division of Motor Vehicles may use up to  
17 five percent (5%) of the funds collected pursuant to subsection (a) of this section for the  
18 administration of the program.

19 **"§ 113B-33. Reports.**

20 (a) The Division of Motor Vehicles shall provide to the State Energy Office  
21 quarterly reports of all registered motor vehicles identified by fuel type.

22 (b) The State Energy Office shall provide an annual report on the expenditure of  
23 funds associated with the program established by G.S. 113B-30 and the number of  
24 alternative fuel vehicles registered in North Carolina to the Joint Legislative  
25 Transportation Oversight Committee."

26 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law. The State Energy  
27 Office shall issue the rules to implement the program established by this act on or  
28 before July 1, 2004. Upon final adoption of the rules, the Division of Motor Vehicles  
29 shall begin collecting the additional fees mandated by this act. This act shall expire on  
30 June 30, 2014.