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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 2903

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 2903 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Alternate Fuels Act is amended by changing
5 Sections 10 and 30 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 120/10)

7 Sec. 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

8 "Agency" means the Environmental Protection Agency.

9 "Alternate fuel" means liquid petroleum gas, natural gas,
10 E85 blend fuel, fuel composed of a minimum 80% ethanol, 80%
11 bio-based methanol, fuels that are at least 80% derived from
12 biomass, hydrogen fuel, or electricity, excluding on-board
13 electric generation.

14 "Alternate fuel vehicle" means any vehicle that is operated
15 in Illinois and is capable of using an alternate fuel.

16 "Biodiesel fuel" means a renewable fuel conforming to the

1 industry standard ASTM-D6751 and registered with the U.S.
2 Environmental Protection Agency.

3 "Car sharing organization" means an organization whose
4 primary business is a membership-based service that allows
5 members to drive cars by the hour in order to extend the public
6 transit system, reduce personal car ownership, save consumers
7 money, increase the use of alternative transportation, and
8 improve environmental sustainability.

9 "Conventional", when used to modify the word "vehicle",
10 "engine", or "fuel", means gasoline or diesel or any
11 reformulations of those fuels.

12 "Covered Area" means the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane,
13 Lake, McHenry, and Will and those portions of Grundy County and
14 Kendall County that are included in the following ZIP code
15 areas, as designated by the U.S. Postal Service on the
16 effective date of this amendatory Act of 1998: 60416, 60444,
17 60447, 60450, 60481, 60538, and 60543.

18 "Director" means the Director of the Environmental
19 Protection Agency.

20 "Domestic renewable fuel" means a fuel, produced in the
21 United States, composed of a minimum 80% ethanol, 80% bio-based
22 methanol, or 20% biodiesel fuel.

23 "E85 blend fuel" means fuel that contains 85% ethanol and
24 15% gasoline.

25 "Electric vehicle" means a vehicle that is licensed to
26 drive on public roadways, is predominantly powered by, and

1 primarily refueled with, electricity, and does not have
2 restrictions confining it to operate on only certain types of
3 streets or roads.

4 "GVWR" means Gross Vehicle Weight Rating.

5 "Location" means (i) a parcel of real property or (ii)
6 multiple, contiguous parcels of real property that are
7 separated by private roadways, public roadways, or private or
8 public rights-of-way and are owned, operated, leased, or under
9 common control of one party.

10 "Original equipment manufacturer" or "OEM" means a
11 manufacturer of alternate fuel vehicles or a manufacturer or
12 remanufacturer of alternate fuel engines used in vehicles
13 greater than 8500 pounds GVWR.

14 "Rental vehicle" means any motor vehicle that is owned or
15 controlled primarily for the purpose of short-term leasing or
16 rental pursuant to a contract.

17 (Source: P.A. 94-62, eff. 6-20-05.)

18 (415 ILCS 120/30)

19 Sec. 30. Rebate and grant program.

20 (a) Beginning January 1, 1997, and as long as funds are
21 available, each owner of an alternate fuel vehicle shall be
22 eligible to apply for a rebate. Beginning July 1, 2005, each
23 owner of a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel is eligible to
24 apply for a fuel cost differential rebate under item (3) of
25 this subsection ~~(e) of this Section~~. The Agency shall cause

1 rebates to be issued under the provisions of this Act. An owner
2 may apply for only one of 3 types of rebates with regard to an
3 individual alternate fuel vehicle: (i) a conversion cost
4 rebate, (ii) an OEM differential cost rebate, or (iii) a fuel
5 cost differential rebate. Only one rebate may be issued with
6 regard to a particular alternate fuel vehicle during the life
7 of that vehicle. A rebate shall not exceed \$4,000 per vehicle.
8 Over the life of this rebate program, an owner of an alternate
9 fuel vehicle or a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel may not
10 receive rebates for more than 150 vehicles per location or for
11 300 vehicles in total.

12 (1) ~~(a)~~ A conversion cost rebate may be issued to an
13 owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost of
14 converting a conventional vehicle or a hybrid vehicle to an
15 alternate fuel vehicle. Conversion of a conventional
16 vehicle or a hybrid vehicle to alternate fuel capability
17 must take place in Illinois for the owner to be eligible
18 for the conversion cost rebate. Amounts spent by applicants
19 within a calendar year may be claimed on a rebate
20 application submitted within 12 months after the month in
21 which the conversion of the vehicle took place. Approved
22 conversion cost rebates applied for during or after
23 calendar year 1997 shall be 80% of all approved conversion
24 costs claimed and documented. Approval of conversion cost
25 rebates may continue after calendar year 2002, if funds are
26 still available. An applicant may include on an application

1 submitted in 1997 all amounts spent within that calendar
2 year on the conversion, even if the expenditure occurred
3 before promulgation of the Agency rules.

4 (2) ~~(b)~~ An OEM differential cost rebate may be issued
5 to an owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the
6 cost differential between a conventional vehicle or engine
7 and the same vehicle or engine, produced by an original
8 equipment manufacturer, that has the capability to use
9 alternate fuels.

10 A new OEM vehicle or engine must be purchased in
11 Illinois and must either be an alternate fuel vehicle or
12 used in an alternate fuel vehicle, respectively, for the
13 owner to be eligible for an OEM differential cost rebate.
14 Large vehicles, over 8,500 pounds gross vehicle weight,
15 purchased outside Illinois are eligible for an OEM
16 differential cost rebate if the same or a comparable
17 vehicle is not available for purchase in Illinois. Amounts
18 spent by applicants within a calendar year may be claimed
19 on a rebate application submitted within 12 months after
20 the month in which the new OEM vehicle or engine was
21 purchased.

22 Approved OEM differential cost rebates applied for
23 during or after calendar year 1997 shall be 80% of all
24 approved cost differential claimed and documented.
25 Approval of OEM differential cost rebates may continue
26 after calendar year 2002, if funds are still available. An

1 applicant may include on an application submitted in 1997
2 all amounts spent within that calendar year on OEM
3 equipment, even if the expenditure occurred before
4 promulgation of the Agency rules.

5 (3) ~~(e)~~ A fuel cost differential rebate may be issued
6 to an owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the
7 cost differential between conventional fuels and domestic
8 renewable fuels or alternate fuels purchased to operate an
9 alternate fuel vehicle. The fuel cost differential shall be
10 based on a 3-year life cycle cost analysis developed by the
11 Agency by rulemaking. The rebate shall apply to and be
12 payable during a consecutive 3-year period commencing on
13 the date the application is approved by the Agency.
14 Approved fuel cost differential rebates may be applied for
15 during or after calendar year 1997 and approved rebates
16 shall be 80% of the cost differential for a consecutive
17 3-year period. Approval of fuel cost differential rebates
18 may continue after calendar year 2002 if funds are still
19 available.

20 Twenty-five percent of the amount that is appropriated
21 under Section 40 to be used to fund programs authorized by
22 this Section during calendar year 2001 shall be designated
23 to fund fuel cost differential rebates. If the total dollar
24 amount of approved fuel cost differential rebate
25 applications as of July 1, 2001 is less than the amount
26 designated for that calendar year, the balance of

1 designated funds shall be immediately available to fund any
2 rebate authorized by this Section and approved in the
3 calendar year.

4 An approved fuel cost differential rebate shall be paid
5 to an owner in 3 annual installments on or about the
6 anniversary date of the approval of the application. Owners
7 receiving a fuel cost differential rebate shall be required
8 to demonstrate, through recordkeeping, the use of domestic
9 renewable fuels during the 3-year period commencing on the
10 date the application is approved by the Agency. If the
11 vehicle ceases to be registered to the original applicant
12 owner, a prorated installment shall be paid to that owner
13 or the owner's designee and the remainder of the rebate
14 shall be canceled.

15 (b) ~~(d)~~ Vehicles owned by the federal government or
16 vehicles registered in a state outside Illinois are not
17 eligible for rebates.

18 (c) Through fiscal year 2013, the Agency may make grants to
19 one or more car sharing organizations located and operating in
20 Illinois for the purchase of new electric vehicles from an
21 Illinois car dealership. A grant may not exceed 25% of the
22 total project cost, including vehicles and supporting
23 infrastructure.

24 (1) Once in each fiscal year, a car sharing
25 organization may submit a grant proposal to the Agency. The
26 information in the proposal shall, at a minimum, consist of

1 the following:

2 (A) the name, address, and locations of the car
3 sharing organization and its operations within
4 Illinois;

5 (B) a description of the car sharing organization,
6 including the number and types of vehicles currently in
7 the fleet and how the vehicles are strategically
8 located to maximize their usage along with a summary of
9 the demographic populations being served;

10 (C) a summary of average miles per year driven by
11 the vehicles currently in the fleet;

12 (D) a narrative description of the project,
13 including the overall plans of the organization in
14 acquiring electric vehicles, the makes and models and
15 the number of electric vehicles that will be acquired
16 by the funding, estimated purchase costs for each
17 vehicle, how the vehicles will be refueled, and whether
18 the refueling locations are available to the public or
19 other entities, are private facilities solely used by
20 the organization, or a combination of both; and

21 (E) a detailed project budget, including the costs
22 of vehicles and supporting infrastructure.

23 (2) The Agency may award grants and set grant amounts,
24 provided that the total amount of the grants does not
25 exceed the Agency's estimate of the amount of the annual
26 appropriation remaining after all rebates have been

1 submitted and processed.

2 (3) In deciding whether to award a grant, the Agency
3 shall consider the overall level of environmental benefits
4 to be realized by the proposed project.

5 (4) Grant funds may only be used for purchasing
6 electric vehicles, and shall not exceed 25% of the actual
7 project expenditures. A vehicle purchased using grant
8 funds is not eligible for any rebate authorized by this
9 Section. The grant shall provide funding only for the base
10 Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) of the
11 vehicle and its electric motors and drivetrain system as
12 depicted on the window sticker or similar documents, and is
13 not to include add-on options such as cabin-related product
14 or component upgrades and extended warranties.

15 (5) Within one year after the date of the grant award,
16 the grantee shall submit a final report to the Agency. If
17 there are grant funds unspent at that time, the remaining
18 money shall be returned to the Agency. The report shall
19 include the following information:

20 (A) the make, model, and model year of each
21 vehicle;

22 (B) the dates of vehicle purchases;

23 (C) the vehicle identification number (VIN);

24 (D) the license plate number and the state of
25 registration;

26 (E) a copy of each vehicle's window sticker or

1 similar document showing the base MSRP and all options;

2 (F) proof of payment and purchase invoices for the
3 vehicles showing the Illinois car dealership where the
4 vehicles were purchased; and

5 (G) a complete financial report for the project.

6 (6) Vehicles purchased with grant funds must remain
7 registered and in service with the grantee in Illinois for
8 a minimum of 5 years after purchase. If a vehicle is sold
9 or otherwise taken out of service in Illinois earlier than
10 that time, then the grantee shall refund to the Agency a
11 prorated amount of the grant funds used to purchase that
12 vehicle, except if a vehicle is replaced with a comparable
13 vehicle or can no longer be safely operated due to an
14 accident or other damage.

15 (Source: P.A. 96-537, eff. 8-14-09; 96-1278, eff. 7-26-10.)

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law."