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HOUSE BILL 929

Short Title: State Motor Fleet/Increase Fuel Efficiency. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hanes, Dobson, McGrady, and Iler (Primary Sponsors).  
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Referred to: Government.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE FUEL ECONOMY PURCHASING PREFERENCE FOR  
3 NEW MOTOR VEHICLES PURCHASED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
4 ADMINISTRATION FOR THE STATE MOTOR FLEET.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 143-341(8)i.2b. reads as rewritten:

7 **"§ 143-341. Powers and duties of Department.**

8 The Department of Administration has the following powers and duties:

9 ...  
10 (8) General Services:

11 ...  
12 i. To establish and operate a central motor pool and such subsidiary  
13 related facilities as the Secretary may deem necessary, and to that  
14 end:

15 ...  
16 2b. As used in this sub-sub-subdivision, "fuel economy" and  
17 "class of comparable automobiles" have the same meaning as  
18 in Part 600 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations  
19 (July 1, 2008 Edition). As used in this sub-sub-subdivision,  
20 "passenger motor vehicle" has the same meaning as "private  
21 passenger vehicle" as defined in G.S. 20-4.01.  
22 Notwithstanding the requirements of sub-sub-subdivision 2a.  
23 of this sub-subdivision, every request for proposals for new  
24 passenger motor vehicles to be purchased by the Department  
25 shall state a preference for vehicles that have a fuel economy  
26 for the new vehicle's model year that is ~~in the top fifteen~~  
27 ~~percent (15%) of the best of~~ its class of comparable non-  
28 hybrid, non-electric automobiles. The award for every new  
29 passenger motor vehicle that is purchased by the Department  
30 shall be based on the Department's evaluation of the best  
31 value for the State, taking into account fuel economy ratings  
32 and life cycle cost that reasonably consider both projected  
33 fuel costs and acquisition costs. This sub-sub-subdivision  
34 does not apply to vehicles used in law enforcement,  
35 emergency medical response, and firefighting. The



1 Department shall report the number of new passenger motor  
2 vehicles that are purchased as required by this  
3 sub-sub-subdivision, the savings or costs for the purchase of  
4 vehicles to comply with this sub-sub-subdivision, and the  
5 quantity and cost of fuel saved for the previous fiscal year on  
6 or before October 1 of each year to the Joint Legislative  
7 Commission on Governmental Operations and the  
8 Environmental Review Commission."

9 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.