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SYNOPSIS

Requires State to purchase certain vehicles when purchasing new vehicles.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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AN ACT concerning the purchase of vehicles by the State, and 1 2 supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes. 3 4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. a. As used in this section: 8 "Electric vehicle" means a motor vehicle propelled solely by an 9 electric motor or energy storage device. "Hybrid electric vehicle" means a motor vehicle propelled by 10 both an internal combustion engine and an electric motor or energy 11 12 storage device. 13 b. Each new vehicle purchased by the State shall be either a 14 hybrid electric vehicle or an electric vehicle, or a vehicle powered 15 by fuel other than conventional fuel such as compressed natural gas, fuel cells, biodiesel, ultra low sulfur fuel, or any other motor 16 17 vehicle fuel approved by the United States Environmental 18 Protection Agency, unless no such mass produced or commonly available vehicle exists in the vehicle class being purchased. 19 20 c. Nothing in this section shall apply to trains purchased by the 21 State. 22 23 This act shall take effect immediately. 2. 24 25 26 **STATEMENT** 27 28 This bill would require that each new vehicle purchased by the 29 State be a hybrid electric vehicle or electric vehicle, or a vehicle 30 powered by fuel other than conventional fuel such as compressed 31 natural gas, fuel cells, biodiesel, ultra low sulfur fuel, or any other 32 motor vehicle fuel approved by the United States Environmental 33 Protection Agency, unless no such mass produced or commonly 34 available vehicle exists in the vehicle class being purchased. The 35 bill notes that the vehicle purchase requirements will not apply to trains purchased by the State. 36 37 The bill defines "hybrid electric vehicle" as a motor vehicle 38 propelled by both an internal combustion engine and an electric 39 motor or energy storage device, and "electric vehicle" as a motor vehicle propelled solely by an electric motor or energy storage 40 41 device.