

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB3447

Introduced 2/17/2023, by Rep. Kam Buckner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

415 ILCS 120/10 415 ILCS 120/50 new

Amends the Electric Vehicle Rebate Act. Defines "electric bicycle" and "nonattainment area". Provides that, beginning July 1, 2024, and continuing as long as funds are available, a person may apply for a rebate following the purchase of an electric bicycle in the State. Provides for a schedule of rebates awarded. Provides for a secondary schedule of rebates awarded for individuals who can provide proof of eligibility for the Food Assistance for Women, Infants, and Children, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, the Supplemental Low-Income Energy Assistance, or otherwise make less than 300% of the federal poverty limit. Provides that a community shall be prioritized for the electric bicycle rebate program if the community is within a nonattainment area. Provides that the incentive for a rebate for an electric bicycle shall be available at the point of sale in order to maximize the impact for low-income and mid-income communities. Provides that a business in a nonattainment area shall register with the Department of Revenue to directly receive rebates for the business' sales with the retailer collecting specified information.

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1 AN ACT concerning safety.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Electric Vehicle Rebate Act is amended by changing Section 10 and by adding Section 50 as follows:
- 6 (415 ILCS 120/10)
- 7 Sec. 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:
- 8 "Agency" means the Environmental Protection Agency.
- 9 "Covered Area" means the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane,
- 10 Lake, McHenry, and Will, the townships of Aux Sable and Goose
- 11 Lake in Grundy County, and the township of Oswego in Kendall
- 12 County.
- 13 "Electric bicycle" means a bicycle equipped with an
- 14 electric motor that may be activated in order to assist with or
- 15 <u>replace pedaling.</u>
- 16 "Electric vehicle" means a vehicle that is exclusively
- 17 powered by and refueled by electricity, must be plugged in to
- 18 charge, and is licensed to drive on public roadways. "Electric
- 19 Vehicle" does not include <u>electric bicycles</u>, electric mopeds,
- 20 electric off-highway vehicles, or hybrid electric vehicles and
- 21 extended-range electric vehicles that are also equipped with
- 22 conventional fueled propulsion or auxiliary engines.
- "Environmental justice community" has the same meaning,

- 1 based on existing methodologies and findings, used and as may
- 2 be updated by the Illinois Power Agency and its Program
- 3 Administrator of the Illinois Solar for All Program.
- 4 "Low income" means persons and families whose income does
- 5 not exceed 80% of the State median income for the current State
- 6 fiscal year, as established by the United States Department of
- 7 Health and Human Services.
- 8 "Nonattainment area" means an area of the State that the
- 9 United States Environmental Protection Agency has designated
- 10 as being in nonattainment with a national ambient air quality
- 11 standard.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 102-662, eff. 9-15-21; 102-820, eff. 5-13-22.)
- 13 (415 ILCS 120/50 new)
- Sec. 50. Electric bicycle rebate.
- 15 (a) Beginning July 1, 2024, and continuing as long as
- funds are available, a person may apply to the Agency for a
- 17 rebate following the retail purchase of an electric bicycle in
- 18 the State. Subject to appropriation, the Agency shall, upon
- 19 receiving proof of the retail purchase of the electric bicycle
- in the State, award the purchaser a rebate under this Section
- 21 in the amount of:
- 22 (1) \$750 for an electric bicycle sold to the retail
- purchaser for \$1,750 or less;
- 24 (2) \$500 for an electric bicycle sold to the retail
- 25 purchaser for more than \$1,750 but less than \$4,000; and

1	(3)	\$250	for	an e	electric	bicycle	sold	l to	the	retail
2	purchase	r for	at	least	\$4.000	hut less	than	\$5.0	0.0	

- who can provide proof of eligibility for the for Food Assistance for Women, Infants, and Children Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or the Supplemental Low-Income Energy Assistance Program or whose household income is not greater than 300% of the federal poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2). Under that schedule, a \$1,000 rebate would be provided for the first \$2,000 spent. every dollar after up to \$5,000. This calculation would give a maximum of \$2,000 for a purchase of \$5,000 and more.
- (c) If a community is located within a nonattainment area in the State, then purchasers from that community shall be prioritized for the electronic bicycle rebate program established in subsection (a).
- (d) The incentive for a rebate for an electronic bicycle under subsection (a) shall be available at the point of sale in order to maximize the impact for low and mid-income communities. A business in a nonattainment area as determined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency shall register with the Department of Revenue to directly receive rebates for the business' sale with the retailer collecting the following information: voucher number; employee name;

- 1 <u>bicycle manufacturer; bicycle model; bicycle serial number;</u>
- 2 rebate amount; total bicycle cost; and any other information
- 3 the Department of Revenue would need to provide a rebate to the
- 4 retailer.