

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
5 adding Section 25-75 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 500/25-75 new)

7 Sec. 25-75. Purchase of motor vehicles.

8 (a) On and after the effective date of this amendatory Act
9 of the 94th General Assembly, all gasoline-powered vehicles
10 purchased from State funds must be flexible fuel or fuel
11 efficient hybrid vehicles. For purposes of this Section,
12 "flexible fuel vehicles" are automobiles or light trucks that
13 operate on either gasoline or E-85 (85% ethanol, 15% gasoline)
14 fuel and "Fuel efficient hybrid vehicles" are automobiles or
15 light trucks that use a gasoline or diesel engine and an
16 electric motor to provide power and gain at least a 20%
17 increase in combined US-EPA city-highway fuel economy over the
18 equivalent or most-similar conventionally-powered model.

19 (b) On and after the effective date of this amendatory Act
20 of the 94th General Assembly, any vehicle purchased from State
21 funds that is fueled by diesel fuel shall be certified by the
22 manufacturer to run on 20% biodiesel (B20) fuel.

23 (c) The Chief Procurement Officer may determine that
24 certain vehicle procurements are exempt from this Section based
25 on intended use or other reasonable considerations such as
26 health and safety of Illinois citizens.

27 Section 10. The Alternate Fuels Act is amended by changing
28 Section 30 as follows:

29 (415 ILCS 120/30)

30 Sec. 30. Rebate program. Beginning January 1, 1997, and as

1 long as funds are available, each owner of an alternate fuel
2 vehicle shall be eligible to apply for a rebate. Beginning July
3 1, 2005, each owner of a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel
4 is eligible to apply for a fuel cost differential rebate under
5 subsection (c) of this Section. The Agency shall cause rebates
6 to be issued under the provisions of this Act. An owner may
7 apply for only one of 3 types of rebates with regard to an
8 individual alternate fuel vehicle: (i) a conversion cost
9 rebate, (ii) an OEM differential cost rebate, or (iii) a fuel
10 cost differential rebate. Only one rebate may be issued with
11 regard to a particular alternate fuel vehicle during the life
12 of that vehicle. A rebate shall not exceed \$4,000 per vehicle.
13 Over the life of this rebate program, an owner of an alternate
14 fuel vehicle or a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel may not
15 receive rebates for more than 150 vehicles per location or for
16 300 vehicles in total.

17 (a) A conversion cost rebate may be issued to an owner or
18 his or her designee in order to reduce the cost of converting
19 of a conventional vehicle to an alternate fuel vehicle.
20 Conversion of a conventional vehicle to alternate fuel
21 capability must take place in Illinois for the owner to be
22 eligible for the conversion cost rebate. Amounts spent by
23 applicants within a calendar year may be claimed on a rebate
24 application submitted during that calendar year. Approved
25 conversion cost rebates applied for during or after calendar
26 year 1997 shall be 80% of all approved conversion costs claimed
27 and documented. Approval of conversion cost rebates may
28 continue after calendar year 2002, if funds are still
29 available. An applicant may include on an application submitted
30 in 1997 all amounts spent within that calendar year on the
31 conversion, even if the expenditure occurred before
32 promulgation of the Agency rules.

33 (b) An OEM differential cost rebate may be issued to an
34 owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost
35 differential between a conventional vehicle or engine and the
36 same vehicle or engine, produced by an original equipment

1 manufacturer, that has the capability to use alternate fuels.

2 A new OEM vehicle or engine must be purchased in Illinois
3 and must either be an alternate fuel vehicle or used in an
4 alternate fuel vehicle, respectively, for the owner to be
5 eligible for an OEM differential cost rebate. Large vehicles,
6 over 8,500 pounds gross vehicle weight, purchased outside
7 Illinois are eligible for an OEM differential cost rebate if
8 the same or a comparable vehicle is not available for purchase
9 in Illinois. Amounts spent by applicants within a calendar year
10 may be claimed on a rebate application submitted during that
11 calendar year.

12 Approved OEM differential cost rebates applied for during
13 or after calendar year 1997 shall be 80% of all approved cost
14 differential claimed and documented. Approval of OEM
15 differential cost rebates may continue after calendar year
16 2002, if funds are still available. An applicant may include on
17 an application submitted in 1997 all amounts spent within that
18 calendar year on OEM equipment, even if the expenditure
19 occurred before promulgation of the Agency rules.

20 (c) A fuel cost differential rebate may be issued to an
21 owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost
22 differential between conventional fuels and domestic renewable
23 fuels or alternate fuels purchased to operate an alternate fuel
24 vehicle . The fuel cost differential shall be based on a 3-year
25 life cycle cost analysis developed by the Agency by rulemaking.
26 The rebate shall apply to and be payable during a consecutive
27 3-year period commencing on the date the application is
28 approved by the Agency. Approved fuel cost differential rebates
29 may be applied for during or after calendar year 1997 and
30 approved rebates shall be 80% of the cost differential for a
31 consecutive 3-year period. Approval of fuel cost differential
32 rebates may continue after calendar year 2002 if funds are
33 still available.

34 Twenty-five percent of the amount that is appropriated
35 under Section 40 to be used to fund programs authorized by this
36 Section during calendar year 2001 shall be designated to fund

1 fuel cost differential rebates. If the total dollar amount of
2 approved fuel cost differential rebate applications as of July
3 1, 2001 is less than the amount designated for that calendar
4 year, the balance of designated funds shall be immediately
5 available to fund any rebate authorized by this Section and
6 approved in the calendar year.

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

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

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