

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) Beginning on 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 vehicles.
11 Beginning July 1, 2007, all gasoline-powered vehicles
12 purchased from State funds must be flexible fuel or fuel
13 efficient hybrid vehicles. For purposes of this Section,
14 "flexible fuel vehicles" are automobiles or light trucks that
15 operate on either gasoline or E-85 (85% ethanol, 15% gasoline)
16 fuel and "Fuel efficient hybrid vehicles" are automobiles or
17 light trucks that use a gasoline or diesel engine and an
18 electric motor to provide power and gain at least a 20%
19 increase in combined US-EPA city-highway fuel economy over the
20 equivalent or most-similar conventionally-powered model.

21 (b) On and after the effective date of this amendatory Act
22 of the 94th General Assembly, any vehicle purchased from State
23 funds that is fueled by diesel fuel shall be certified by the
24 manufacturer to run on 5% biodiesel (B5) fuel.

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

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

1 (415 ILCS 120/30)

2 Sec. 30. Rebate program. Beginning January 1, 1997, and as
3 long as funds are available, each owner of an alternate fuel
4 vehicle shall be eligible to apply for a rebate. Beginning July
5 1, 2005, each owner of a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel
6 is eligible to apply for a fuel cost differential rebate under
7 subsection (c) of this Section. The Agency shall cause rebates
8 to be issued under the provisions of this Act. An owner may
9 apply for only one of 3 types of rebates with regard to an
10 individual alternate fuel vehicle: (i) a conversion cost
11 rebate, (ii) an OEM differential cost rebate, or (iii) a fuel
12 cost differential rebate. Only one rebate may be issued with
13 regard to a particular alternate fuel vehicle during the life
14 of that vehicle. A rebate shall not exceed \$4,000 per vehicle.
15 Over the life of this rebate program, an owner of an alternate
16 fuel vehicle or a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel may not
17 receive rebates for more than 150 vehicles per location or for
18 300 vehicles in total.

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

35 (b) An OEM differential cost rebate may be issued to an
36 owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost

1 differential between a conventional vehicle or engine and the
2 same vehicle or engine, produced by an original equipment
3 manufacturer, that has the capability to use alternate fuels.

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

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

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

36 Twenty-five percent of the amount that is appropriated

1 under Section 40 to be used to fund programs authorized by this
2 Section during calendar year 2001 shall be designated to fund
3 fuel cost differential rebates. If the total dollar amount of
4 approved fuel cost differential rebate applications as of July
5 1, 2001 is less than the amount designated for that calendar
6 year, the balance of designated funds shall be immediately
7 available to fund any rebate authorized by this Section and
8 approved in the calendar year.

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

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

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