

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

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

4 Section 5. The Alternate Fuels Act is amended by changing
5 Section 30 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 120/30)

7 Sec. 30. Rebate program. Beginning January 1, 1997, and as
8 long as funds are available, each owner of an alternate fuel
9 vehicle shall be eligible to apply for a rebate. Beginning July
10 1, 2005, each owner of a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel
11 is eligible to apply for a fuel cost differential rebate under
12 subsection (c) of this Section. The Agency shall cause rebates
13 to be issued under the provisions of this Act. An owner may
14 apply for only one of 3 types of rebates with regard to an
15 individual alternate fuel vehicle: (i) a conversion cost
16 rebate, (ii) an OEM differential cost rebate, or (iii) a fuel
17 cost differential rebate. Only one rebate may be issued with
18 regard to a particular alternate fuel vehicle during the life
19 of that vehicle. A rebate shall not exceed \$4,000 per vehicle.
20 Over the life of this rebate program, an owner of an alternate
21 fuel vehicle or a vehicle using domestic renewable fuel may not
22 receive rebates for more than 150 vehicles per location or for
23 300 vehicles in total.

1 (a) A conversion cost rebate may be issued to an owner or
2 his or her designee in order to reduce the cost of converting
3 ~~of~~ a conventional vehicle or a hybrid vehicle to an alternate
4 fuel vehicle. Conversion of a conventional vehicle or a hybrid
5 vehicle to alternate fuel capability must take place in
6 Illinois for the owner to be eligible for the conversion cost
7 rebate. Amounts spent by applicants within a calendar year may
8 be claimed on a rebate application submitted within 12 months
9 after the month in which the conversion of the vehicle took
10 place. Approved conversion cost rebates applied for during or
11 after calendar year 1997 shall be 80% of all approved
12 conversion costs claimed and documented. Approval of
13 conversion cost rebates may continue after calendar year 2002,
14 if funds are still available. An applicant may include on an
15 application submitted in 1997 all amounts spent within that
16 calendar year on the conversion, even if the expenditure
17 occurred before promulgation of the Agency rules.

18 (b) An OEM differential cost rebate may be issued to an
19 owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost
20 differential between a conventional vehicle or engine and the
21 same vehicle or engine, produced by an original equipment
22 manufacturer, that has the capability to use alternate fuels.

23 A new OEM vehicle or engine must be purchased in Illinois
24 and must either be an alternate fuel vehicle or used in an
25 alternate fuel vehicle, respectively, for the owner to be
26 eligible for an OEM differential cost rebate. Large vehicles,

1 over 8,500 pounds gross vehicle weight, purchased outside
2 Illinois are eligible for an OEM differential cost rebate if
3 the same or a comparable vehicle is not available for purchase
4 in Illinois. Amounts spent by applicants within a calendar year
5 may be claimed on a rebate application submitted within 12
6 months after the month in which the new OEM vehicle or engine
7 was purchased.

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

16 (c) A fuel cost differential rebate may be issued to an
17 owner or his or her designee in order to reduce the cost
18 differential between conventional fuels and domestic renewable
19 fuels or alternate fuels purchased to operate an alternate fuel
20 vehicle. The fuel cost differential shall be based on a 3-year
21 life cycle cost analysis developed by the Agency by rulemaking.
22 The rebate shall apply to and be payable during a consecutive
23 3-year period commencing on the date the application is
24 approved by the Agency. Approved fuel cost differential rebates
25 may be applied for during or after calendar year 1997 and
26 approved rebates shall be 80% of the cost differential for a

1 consecutive 3-year period. Approval of fuel cost differential
2 rebates may continue after calendar year 2002 if funds are
3 still available.

4 Twenty-five percent of the amount that is appropriated
5 under Section 40 to be used to fund programs authorized by this
6 Section during calendar year 2001 shall be designated to fund
7 fuel cost differential rebates. If the total dollar amount of
8 approved fuel cost differential rebate applications as of July
9 1, 2001 is less than the amount designated for that calendar
10 year, the balance of designated funds shall be immediately
11 available to fund any rebate authorized by this Section and
12 approved in the calendar year.

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

23 (d) Vehicles owned by the federal government or vehicles
24 registered in a state outside Illinois are not eligible for
25 rebates.

26 (Source: P.A. 96-537, eff. 8-14-09.)

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.