



Sub. S.B. 84*

126th General Assembly

(As Reported by S. State & Local Government & Veterans Affairs)

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BILL SUMMARY

- Creates the Vehicle Management Task Force to study the feasibility of replacing the existing state motor vehicle fleet with hybrid vehicles.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill creates in uncodified law a ten-member Vehicle Management Task Force to study, on behalf of the Vehicle Management Commission, the feasibility, impact, and costs to the state of replacing all or a portion of the existing state motor vehicle fleet over time with hybrid vehicles (see **COMMENT**).¹ The Task Force will consist of the four legislative members currently serving on the Vehicle Management Commission; the Director of Environmental Protection or the Director's designee; the Director of Natural Resources or the Director's designee; the Director of Administrative Services or the Director's designee; the Director of Transportation or the Director's designee; and one member representing a statewide environmental advocacy organization, and one member representing the automobile industry, each appointed jointly by the Senate President and the House Speaker. Appointments must be made no later than 14 days after the bill's

* *This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate State and Local Government and Veterans Affairs Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.*

¹ *The Vehicle Management Commission is established under current law within the Department of Administrative Services (DAS). It is required to periodically review the implementation of the fleet management program by DAS and may recommend to DAS and the General Assembly modifications to DAS' procedures and functions and other statutory changes. The bill uses **some** current Commission members and additional persons to conduct the Task Force study on behalf of the Commission. (R.C. 125.833--not in the bill.)*

effective date, and a chairperson is to be chosen for the Task Force jointly by the Senate President and the House Speaker. (Section 1(B) and (C).)

The study must include, but need not be limited to, an evaluation of all of the following: (1) the feasibility and cost of replacing all or some of the state's motor vehicle fleet over time with hybrid vehicles, (2) the potential cost savings to be realized by the reduced fuel consumption of hybrid vehicles, (3) the environmental impact of the state's use of hybrid vehicles, (4) the location and capacity in which the use of hybrid vehicles would be most appropriate, and (5) programs in other states requiring the use of hybrid vehicles. The study must be completed along with a report of its results no later than six months after the bill's effective date. The report must be submitted to the Department of Administrative Services, the Senate President, and the House Speaker. Copies must be made available to all members of the General Assembly. The Task Force ceases to exist upon completion of the report. (Section 1(C) and (D).)

COMMENT

The bill defines a "hybrid vehicle" as a road vehicle that can draw propulsion energy from both a consumable fuel and a rechargeable energy storage system (Section 1(A)).

HISTORY

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