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H.B. No. 2214

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the allocation of Texas Emissions Reduction Plan funds.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 386.252(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Money in the fund and account may be used only to implement and administer programs established under the plan. Subject to the reallocation of funds by the commission under Subsection (h) and after remittance to the state highway fund under Subsection (a-1), money from the fund and account to be used for the programs under Section 386.051(b) shall initially be allocated as follows:

(1) four percent may be used for the clean school bus program under Chapter 390;

(2) eight [~~three~~] percent may be used for the new technology implementation grant program under Chapter 391, from which at least \$1 million will be set aside for electricity storage projects related to renewable energy;

(3) 7.5 [~~five~~] percent may be used for the Texas clean fleet program under Chapter 392;

(4) not more than \$3 million may be used by the commission to fund a regional air monitoring program in commission Regions 3 and 4 to be implemented under the commission's oversight, including direction regarding the type, number, location, and

1 operation of, and data validation practices for, monitors funded by
2 the program through a regional nonprofit entity located in North
3 Texas having representation from counties, municipalities, higher
4 education institutions, and private sector interests across the
5 area;

6 (5) five [~~10~~] percent may be used for the Texas natural
7 gas vehicle grant program under Chapter 394;

8 (6) not more than \$6 million may be used for the Texas
9 alternative fueling facilities program under Chapter 393, of which
10 a specified amount may be used for fueling stations to provide
11 natural gas fuel, except that money may not be allocated for the
12 Texas alternative fueling facilities program for the state fiscal
13 year ending August 31, 2019;

14 (7) not more than \$750,000 may be used each year to
15 support research related to air quality as provided by Chapter 387;

16 (8) not more than \$200,000 may be used for a health
17 effects study;

18 (9) at least \$6 million but not more than \$16 million
19 may be used by the commission for administrative costs, including
20 all direct and indirect costs for administering the plan, costs for
21 conducting outreach and education activities, and costs
22 attributable to the review or approval of applications for
23 marketable emissions reduction credits;

24 (10) six percent may be used by the commission for the
25 seaport and rail yard areas emissions reduction program established
26 under Subchapter D-1;

27 (11) 2.5 [~~five~~] percent may be used for the light-duty

1 motor vehicle purchase or lease incentive program established under
2 Subchapter D;

3 (12) not more than \$216,000 may be used by the
4 commission to contract with the Energy Systems Laboratory at the
5 Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station annually for the
6 development and annual computation of creditable statewide
7 emissions reductions obtained through wind and other renewable
8 energy resources for the state implementation plan;

9 (13) not more than \$500,000 may be used for studies of
10 or pilot programs for incentives for port authorities located in
11 nonattainment areas or affected counties to encourage cargo
12 movement that reduces emissions of nitrogen oxides and particulate
13 matter; and

14 (14) the balance is to be used by the commission for
15 the diesel emissions reduction incentive program under Subchapter C
16 as determined by the commission.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.