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H.B. No. 2758

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the use of fuel-saving technologies by certain state
3 agency vehicles.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 447, Government Code, as amended by
6 Chapters 573, 1158, and 1398, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular
7 Session, 2001, is amended by adding Section 447.012 to read as
8 follows:

9 Sec. 447.012. FUEL SAVINGS FOR STATE AGENCIES. (a) In this
10 section:

11 (1) "Cost-effective" means resulting in fuel
12 consumption reduction with a projected savings in fuel cost over a
13 nine-month period that exceeds the cost of purchasing and using a
14 technology.

15 (2) "Fuel-saving technology" means a:

16 (A) device installed on a motor vehicle or
17 non-road diesel;

18 (B) fuel additive registered in accordance with
19 40 C.F.R. Part 79; or

20 (C) fuel registered in accordance with 40 C.F.R.
21 Part 79 that has been demonstrated to reduce fuel consumption per
22 mile or per hour of operation by at least five percent.

23 (3) "Motor vehicle" and "non-road diesel" have the
24 meanings assigned by Section 386.101, Health and Safety Code.

1 (b) A state agency with 10 or more motor vehicles or
2 non-road diesels shall reduce the total fuel consumption of the
3 vehicles or diesels by at least five percent from fiscal year 2002
4 consumption levels through the use of cost-effective fuel-saving
5 technologies.

6 (c) A state agency may establish a program for agency
7 employees to voluntarily:

- 8 (1) purchase fuel-saving technologies; and
9 (2) document reductions in fuel savings and air
10 emissions.

11 (d) A state agency shall annually report to the state energy
12 conservation office on a form provided by the office on the state
13 agency's efforts and progress under this section.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.