

1-1 By: Noriega, Bonnen, Bohac H.B. No. 2293  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Watson)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2007;  
1-4 May 15, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-5 Government Organization; May 17, 2007, reported favorably by the  
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1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to a requirement that state agencies purchase  
1-10 low-emissions vehicles as a minimum percentage of their vehicles  
1-11 purchased.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 2158, Government Code, is  
1-14 amended by adding Section 2158.009 to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 2158.009. LOW-EMISSIONS VEHICLES PURCHASING  
1-16 REQUIREMENT. (a) This section applies only to a state agency that  
1-17 purchases 10 or more vehicles in a state fiscal biennium.

1-18 (b) A state agency authorized to purchase passenger  
1-19 vehicles or other ground transportation vehicles for general use  
1-20 shall ensure that not less than 10 percent of its vehicle purchases  
1-21 during any state fiscal biennium are purchases of vehicles that  
1-22 meet or exceed the emissions standards necessary to be rated by the  
1-23 United States Environmental Protection Agency as a Tier II, Bin 3,  
1-24 emissions standard vehicle that has a greenhouse gas score of eight  
1-25 under regulations of that agency as they existed September 1, 2007.

1-26 (c) A state agency is exempt from Subsection (b) to the  
1-27 extent that a vehicle described by that subsection that meets the  
1-28 agency's operational needs is not commercially available.

1-29 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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