

1-1 By: Crownover (Senate Sponsor - Averitt) H.B. No. 3929  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 9, 2007;  
1-3 May 10, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural  
1-4 Resources; May 21, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 21, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the funding of the Alternative Fuels Research and  
1-9 Education Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 113.246(b), Natural Resources Code, is  
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 (b) The rebate program provided in Section 113.2435 shall be  
1-14 funded by 50 percent of the total delivery fees collected under  
1-15 Section 113.244. Administrative costs for the Alternative Fuels  
1-16 Research and Education Division program may not exceed 25 percent  
1-17 of the total delivery fees collected. The remainder of the total  
1-18 delivery fees collected may be expended at the discretion of the  
1-19 commission. Notwithstanding the limitation on consumer rebate  
1-20 program spending imposed by Section 113.2435(c)(5), on August 31,  
1-21 2008, the commission shall carry forward unexpended amounts that  
1-22 were budgeted for consumer rebate programs during the state fiscal  
1-23 year ending on that date and shall include those amounts in the  
1-24 commission's operating budget for consumer rebate programs for the  
1-25 state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2008, conditioned on the  
1-26 commission reserving no more than 50 percent of those amounts, to  
1-27 the degree necessary for operational cash flow.

1-28 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-29 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-30 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-31 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-32 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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