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H.B. No. 2577

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the light-duty motor vehicle purchase or lease
3 incentive program.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 386.154, Health and Safety Code, is
6 amended by adding Subsections (f), (g), and (h) to read as follows:

7 (f) A new motorcycle powered by an electric drive is
8 eligible for a \$1,250 incentive if the vehicle:

9 (1) is a motorcycle as defined by Section 541.201,
10 Transportation Code;

11 (2) was manufactured for use primarily on public
12 streets, roads, and highways;

13 (3) has not been modified from the original
14 manufacturer's specifications;

15 (4) has a maximum speed capability of at least 55 miles
16 per hour;

17 (5) is propelled to a significant extent by an
18 electric motor that draws electricity from a hydrogen fuel cell or
19 from a battery that:

20 (A) has a capacity of not less than four kilowatt
21 hours; and

22 (B) is capable of being recharged from an
23 external source of electricity;

24 (6) was acquired on or after September 1, 2021, or a

1 later date as established by the commission, by the person applying
2 for the incentive under this subsection and for use or lease by that
3 person and not for resale; and

4 (7) is not a motor-assisted scooter or pocket bike or
5 minimotorbike as those terms are defined by Section 551.351,
6 Transportation Code.

7 (g) The incentive under Subsection (f) is limited to 100
8 vehicles for the first state fiscal year of the biennium and 200
9 vehicles for the second state fiscal year of the biennium. This
10 subsection expires August 31, 2022.

11 (h) The incentive under Subsection (f) is limited to 500
12 vehicles each state fiscal biennium.

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.