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H.B. No. 2577

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2577:

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C.S.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 amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (f) to  
7 read as follows:

8 (d) A new light-duty motor vehicle powered by an electric  
9 drive is eligible for a \$2,500 incentive if the vehicle:

10 (1) has four wheels or is a motorcycle as defined by  
11 Section 541.201, Transportation Code;

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

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

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

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

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

23 (B) is capable of being recharged from an  
24 external source of electricity; ~~and~~

1           (6) was acquired on or after September 1, 2013, or a  
2 later date as established by the commission, by the person applying  
3 for the incentive under this subsection and for use or lease by that  
4 person and not for resale; and

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

8           (f) A person that receives the incentive described by  
9 Subsection (d) shall remit \$750 to the comptroller to deposit to the  
10 credit of the state highway fund. Money deposited to the credit of  
11 the state highway fund under this subsection must be used in a  
12 manner consistent with the purposes specified by Section 7-a,  
13 Article VIII, Texas Constitution.

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