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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to motor vehicle emission standards.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 455B.135A MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSION
1 2 STANDARDS.
1 3 1. Except as provided in subsection 2, the commission
1 4 shall establish by rule motor vehicle emissions standards for
1 5 passenger cars, light duty trucks, and medium duty passenger
1 6 vehicles, for model years beginning with the model year 2011,
1 7 or as soon as allowable under federal law, which are based on
1 8 and similar to the California motor vehicle emissions
1 9 standards in title 13 of the California code of regulations
1 10 and consistent with 42 U.S.C. } 7507.

1 11 2. The commission may decline to adopt all or part of the
1 12 California motor vehicle emissions standards if it determines
1 13 in writing, based on substantial evidence and after a public
1 14 hearing, that the emissions standards and a compliance program
1 15 similar to that of the state of California will not achieve,
1 16 in the aggregate, greater motor vehicle pollution reductions
1 17 than the federal standards and compliance program for any such
1 18 model year.

1 19 3. The commission may exempt from the requirements of this
1 20 section any of the following:

1 21 a. Out-of-state registered vehicles transferred by
1 22 inheritance, or by decree of divorce, dissolution, or legal
1 23 separation entered by a court of competent jurisdiction.

1 24 b. Vehicles purchased by nonresidents prior to
1 25 establishing residency in Iowa.

1 26 c. Previously owned vehicles which were originally
1 27 purchased in states with emissions standards different from
1 28 the standards established pursuant to this section.

1 29 EXPLANATION

1 30 This bill would require the environmental protection
1 31 commission to establish motor vehicle emissions standards, for
1 32 model years beginning with the model year 2011, based on and
1 33 similar to the California motor vehicle emissions standards
1 34 and consistent with federal law. The commission would have
1 35 discretion not to adopt these standards if it found that the
2 1 California emissions standards will not achieve greater motor
2 2 vehicle pollution reductions than the federal standards.

2 3 The bill would also allow the commission to exempt the
2 4 following vehicles from this requirement: out-of-state
2 5 registered vehicles transferred by inheritance, or by decree
2 6 of divorce, dissolution, or legal separation entered by a
2 7 court of competent jurisdiction; vehicles purchased by
2 8 nonresidents prior to establishing residency in Iowa; and
2 9 previously owned vehicles which were originally purchased in
2 10 states with emissions standards different from the standards
2 11 established by the commission.

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