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SENATE FILE 344
BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 301)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the required fuel efficiency of newly
2 purchased state vehicles.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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SF 344

1 Section 1. Section 8A.362, subsection 4, paragraph b, Code
2 2005, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. The director, and any other state agency, ~~which for~~
4 ~~purposes of this subsection includes but is not limited to~~
5 ~~community colleges and institutions under the control of the~~
6 ~~state board of regents, or local governmental subdivisions~~
7 purchasing new motor vehicles, shall purchase new passenger
8 vehicles and light trucks so that the average fuel efficiency
9 for the fleet of new passenger vehicles and light trucks
10 purchased in that year ~~equals or exceeds~~ the average fuel
11 economy standard for the vehicles' model year as established
12 by the United States secretary of transportation under 15
13 U.S.C. § 2002. Community colleges, institutions under the
14 control of the state board of regents, and local governmental
15 subdivisions purchasing new motor vehicles shall purchase new
16 passenger vehicles and light trucks so that the average fuel
17 efficiency for the fleet of new passenger vehicles and light
18 trucks purchased in that year equals or exceeds the average
19 fuel economy standard for the vehicles' model year as
20 established by the United States secretary of transportation
21 under 15 U.S.C. § 2002. This paragraph does not apply to
22 vehicles purchased for law enforcement purposes or used for
23 off-road maintenance work, or work vehicles used to pull
24 loaded trailers.

25 EXPLANATION

26 This bill requires the director of the department of
27 administrative services and state agencies, when purchasing
28 new passenger vehicles and light trucks, to purchase the
29 vehicles in such a combination that the average fuel
30 efficiency for the new vehicles exceeds the average fuel
31 economy standard for the vehicles' model year as established
32 by the United States secretary of transportation. Currently,
33 such purchases are required to be made so that the average
34 fuel efficiency for the new vehicles equals or exceeds the
35 standard. Community colleges, the state board of regents, and

1 local governments remain subject to that current policy.

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Fiscal Note

SF 344 - State Fuel Efficiency (LSB 2645 SV)

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Requested by Senator Stewart Iverson, Jr.

Description

Senate File 344 requires the Director of the Department of Administrative Services and State agencies to purchase new passenger vehicles and light trucks so that the average fuel efficiency for the new vehicles exceeds the average fuel economy standards for the vehicles' model year as established by the United State Secretary of Transportation. Community colleges, the State Board of Regents, and local governments remain subject to the current law.

Background

Current law requires the purchases to be made so that the average fuel efficiency for new vehicles equals or exceeds the standard.

The Department of Administrative Services purchased 454 vehicles in FY 2004. Of these, Section 8A.362(4)(d), Code of Iowa, exempted 125 vehicles that are special work or law enforcement vehicles from the requirements. The Department purchased 186 passenger vehicles with a combined rating of 31.4 miles per gallon, exceeding the 27.5 standard by 3.9 miles per gallon. The Department purchased 143 light trucks with a combined rating of 23.8 miles per gallon, exceeding the 20.7 standard by 3.1 miles per gallon.

The Department of Transportation purchased 187 vehicles in FY 2004, Of these, Section 8A.362(4)(d), Code of Iowa, exempted 44 vehicles that are special work or law enforcement vehicles from the requirements. The Department purchased 23 passenger vehicles with a combined rating of 37.6 miles per gallon, exceeding the 27.5 standard by 10.1 miles per gallon. The Department purchased 120 light trucks with a combined rating of 23.3 miles per gallon, exceeding the 20.7 standard by 2.6 miles per gallon.

Assumptions

State agencies currently exceed the new standard.

Fiscal Impact

Senate File 344 will have no significant fiscal impact.

Sources

Department of Administrative Services
Department of Transportation

/s/ Holly M. Lyons

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The fiscal note and correctional impact statement for this bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and pursuant to Section 2.56, Code of Iowa. Data used in developing this fiscal note and correctional impact statement are available from the Fiscal Services Division, Legislative Services Agency to members of the Legislature upon request.
