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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to energy; amending s. 286.29, F.S.;  
3           revising the selection criteria for purchasing or  
4           leasing vehicles for state agency, college, or  
5           university or certain local government fleets;  
6           removing a provision requiring the use and procurement  
7           of ethanol and biodiesel fuels; requiring the  
8           Department of Management Services, before a specified  
9           date, to make recommendations to state agencies and  
10          local governments relating to the procurement and  
11          integration of electric vehicles; amending s. 553.791,  
12          F.S.; revising the definition of the term "single-  
13          trade inspection"; providing an effective date.  
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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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17           Section 1. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 286.29,  
18          Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

19           286.29 Climate-friendly public business.—The Legislature  
20          recognizes the importance of leadership by state government in  
21          the area of energy efficiency and in reducing the greenhouse gas  
22          emissions of state government operations. The following shall  
23          pertain to all state agencies when conducting public business:

24           (4) When procuring new vehicles, all state agencies, state  
25          universities, community colleges, and local governments that  
26          purchase vehicles under a state purchasing plan shall first  
27          define the intended purpose for the vehicle and determine which  
28          of the following use classes for which the vehicle is being  
29          procured:

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- 30 (a) State business travel, designated operator;  
31 (b) State business travel, pool operators;  
32 (c) Construction, agricultural, or maintenance work;  
33 (d) Conveyance of passengers;  
34 (e) Conveyance of building or maintenance materials and  
35 supplies;  
36 (f) Off-road vehicle, motorcycle, or all-terrain vehicle;  
37 (g) Emergency response; or  
38 (h) Other.

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40 Vehicles described in paragraphs (a) through (h), when being  
41 processed for purchase or leasing agreements, must be selected  
42 based on the lowest lifetime ownership costs, including costs  
43 for fuel, operations, and maintenance, for the greatest fuel  
44 efficiency available for a given use class when fuel economy  
45 data are available. Exceptions may be made for individual  
46 vehicles in paragraph (g) when accompanied, during the  
47 procurement process, by documentation indicating that the  
48 operator or operators will exclusively be emergency first  
49 responders or have special documented need for exceptional  
50 vehicle performance characteristics. Any request for an  
51 exception must be approved by the purchasing agency head and any  
52 exceptional performance characteristics denoted as a part of the  
53 procurement process prior to purchase.

54 ~~(5) All state agencies shall use ethanol and biodiesel~~  
55 ~~blended fuels when available. State agencies administering~~  
56 ~~central fueling operations for state-owned vehicles shall~~  
57 ~~procure biofuels for fleet needs to the greatest extent~~  
58 ~~practicable.~~

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59           Section 2. Before July 1, 2023, the Department of  
60 Management Services shall make recommendations to state  
61 agencies, including state colleges and universities, and local  
62 governments regarding the procurement of electric vehicles and  
63 best practices for integrating such vehicles into existing  
64 fleets.

65           Section 3. Paragraph (p) of subsection (1) of section  
66 553.791, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

67           553.791 Alternative plans review and inspection.-

68           (1) As used in this section, the term:

69           (p) "Single-trade inspection" means any inspection focused  
70 on a single construction trade, such as plumbing, mechanical, or  
71 electrical. The term includes, but is not limited to,  
72 inspections of door or window replacements; fences and block  
73 walls more than 6 feet high from the top of the wall to the  
74 bottom of the footing; stucco or plastering; reroofing with no  
75 structural alteration; HVAC replacements; installation of  
76 electric vehicle charging stations; solar energy and energy  
77 storage installations or alterations; ductwork or fan  
78 replacements; alteration or installation of wiring, lighting,  
79 and service panels; water heater changeouts; sink replacements;  
80 and repiping.

81           Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.