

By the Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability;
and Senators Brodeur and Brandes

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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 requiring the Department of Management Services, using
7 available industry data, to rank certain vehicles
8 based on the lowest lifetime ownership costs over a
9 specified number of years, rather than fuel
10 efficiency, and to publish the rankings to the
11 department's website; requiring that certain vehicles
12 purchased under a state purchasing plan be ranked at a
13 specified level unless an exception is approved by the
14 department secretary; exempting law enforcement
15 vehicles from the ranking requirement; removing a
16 provision requiring the use and procurement of ethanol
17 and biodiesel fuels; requiring the department, before
18 a specified date, to make recommendations to state
19 agencies and local governments relating to the
20 procurement and integration of electric vehicles;
21 amending s. 553.791, F.S.; revising the definition of
22 the term "single-trade inspection"; providing an
23 effective date.

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25 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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27 Section 1. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 286.29,
28 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
29 286.29 Climate-friendly public business.—The Legislature

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30 recognizes the importance of leadership by state government in
31 the area of energy efficiency and in reducing the greenhouse gas
32 emissions of state government operations. The following shall
33 pertain to all state agencies when conducting public business:

34 (4) When procuring new vehicles, all state agencies, state
35 universities, community colleges, and local governments that
36 purchase vehicles under a state purchasing plan shall first
37 define the intended purpose for the vehicle and determine which
38 of the following use classes for which the vehicle is being
39 procured:

40 (a) State business travel, designated operator;

41 (b) State business travel, pool operators;

42 (c) Construction, agricultural, or maintenance work;

43 (d) Conveyance of passengers;

44 (e) Conveyance of building or maintenance materials and
45 supplies;

46 (f) Off-road vehicle, motorcycle, or all-terrain vehicle;

47 (g) Emergency response; or

48 (h) Other.

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50 Vehicles described in paragraphs (a) through (h), when being
51 processed for purchase or leasing agreements, must be selected
52 based on the lowest lifetime ownership costs over 5 years as
53 determined by the Department of Management Services. On an
54 annual basis, the department shall rank vehicles based on the
55 lowest cost of ownership over 5 years using available industry
56 data and publish the rankings on the department's website. Any
57 vehicle that is a sedan or a light truck and is purchased under
58 a state purchasing plan must be ranked in the top five of the

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59 department's rankings unless an exception is approved by the
60 secretary of the department and the secretary states the reason
61 for the exception. Law enforcement vehicles are exempt from the
62 top-five ranking requirement for the greatest fuel efficiency
63 available for a given use class when fuel economy data are
64 available. Exceptions may be made for individual vehicles in
65 paragraph (g) when accompanied, during the procurement process,
66 by documentation indicating that the operator or operators will
67 exclusively be emergency first responders or have special
68 documented need for exceptional vehicle performance
69 characteristics. Any request for an exception must be approved
70 by the purchasing agency head and any exceptional performance
71 characteristics denoted as a part of the procurement process
72 prior to purchase.

73 ~~(5) All state agencies shall use ethanol and biodiesel~~
74 ~~blended fuels when available. State agencies administering~~
75 ~~central fueling operations for state-owned vehicles shall~~
76 ~~procure biofuels for fleet needs to the greatest extent~~
77 ~~practicable.~~

78 Section 2. Before July 1, 2023, the Department of
79 Management Services shall make recommendations to state
80 agencies, including state colleges and universities, and local
81 governments regarding the procurement of electric vehicles and
82 best practices for integrating such vehicles into existing
83 fleets.

84 Section 3. Paragraph (p) of subsection (1) of section
85 553.791, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

86 553.791 Alternative plans review and inspection.—

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

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88 (p) "Single-trade inspection" means any inspection focused
89 on a single construction trade, such as plumbing, mechanical, or
90 electrical. The term includes, but is not limited to,
91 inspections of door or window replacements; fences and block
92 walls more than 6 feet high from the top of the wall to the
93 bottom of the footing; stucco or plastering; reroofing with no
94 structural alteration; HVAC replacements; installation of
95 electric vehicle charging stations; solar energy and energy
96 storage installations or alterations; ductwork or fan
97 replacements; alteration or installation of wiring, lighting,
98 and service panels; water heater changeouts; sink replacements;
99 and repiping.

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