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"AN ACT CONCERNING CLEAN CARS."

1 Strike lines 1 to 121, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) As used in sections 3, 4
4 and 6 of this act:

5 (1) "Motor vehicle" means motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1
6 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, except that for purposes
7 of this section, motor vehicle is limited to vehicles with gross vehicle
8 weight rating, as defined in said section 14-1, of ten thousand pounds
9 or less; and

10 (2) "Greenhouse gas" means greenhouse gas, as defined in section
11 22a-200 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes.

12 Sec. 2. (*Effective October 1, 2006*) Not later than October 1, 2006, the
13 Department of Environmental Protection, in consultation with the
14 Governor's Steering Committee on Climate Change, shall conduct a
15 study to determine the motor vehicle greenhouse gas emission
16 reductions necessary to meet the goals of section 22a-200a of the
17 general statutes. The department shall include its findings,
18 accompanied by any recommended legislative revisions, in its 2007
19 climate change report required by subsection (d) of section 22a-200a of
20 the general statutes.

21 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) (a) Not later than October 1,
22 2007, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, in consultation
23 with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, shall establish a greenhouse
24 gas labeling program for new motor vehicles sold or leased in the state
25 with a model year of 2009 or later.

26 (b) Greenhouse gas labels under this program shall include the
27 vehicle's greenhouse gas score, as determined by the United States
28 Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department
29 of Energy, comparing the vehicle's greenhouse gas emissions with the
30 greenhouse gas emissions from all vehicle models of the same model
31 year for which a label is required, presented in both a continuous bar
32 format and a single qualitative score, or an alternative graphical
33 representation that the Commissioner of Environmental Protection
34 determines will more effectively convey the information to consumers.
35 The label shall also include the average greenhouse gas score for
36 vehicles within the same vehicle class as the vehicle to which the label
37 is affixed and any other relevant information, as determined by the
38 Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

39 (c) The greenhouse gas label shall be affixed to the driver's side of
40 the front windshield.

41 (d) No new motor vehicle with a model year of 2009 or later shall be
42 sold or leased in the state without a greenhouse gas emissions label
43 that meets the requirements of this section affixed to it.

44 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) The Commissioner of
45 Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Commissioner of
46 Motor Vehicles, shall establish or contract for a public education
47 program regarding the vehicle labeling program pursuant to section 3
48 of this act. This program shall also include the dissemination of
49 information about the environmental impact of greenhouse gas
50 emissions from motor vehicles and the impact of vehicle choice on
51 vehicle greenhouse gas emissions.

52 Sec. 5. Subdivision (115) of section 12-412 of the 2006 supplement to
53 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
54 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

55 (115) On and after October 1, 2004, [and prior to October 1, 2008,]
56 the sale of any passenger car utilizing hybrid technology that has a
57 United States Environmental Protection Agency estimated highway
58 gasoline mileage rating of at least forty miles per gallon.

59 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) (a) There is established the
60 "greenhouse gas reduction account", which shall be a separate,
61 nonlapsing account within the General Fund. Proceeds of the fee paid
62 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be deposited into said
63 account. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the account shall
64 become part of the assets of the account.

65 (b) A fee of five dollars shall be applied to the sale or lease of a new
66 motor vehicle. Said fee shall be identified as the "greenhouse gas
67 reduction fee" on any sales or lease form.

68 (c) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may draw upon
69 not more than sixty per cent of the funds deposited into the account to
70 implement the requirements of sections 3 and 4 of this act and the
71 commissioner of motor vehicles may draw upon not more than forty
72 per cent of the funds deposited into the account to implement the
73 requirements of sections 3 and 4 of this act."