

House Bill 1382

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to state purchasing, so as to provide for the procurement of electric light duty  
3 vehicles over those with internal combustion engines by state agencies; to provide  
4 definitions; to provide for the identification and use of a calculator to determine the costs of  
5 purchasing or leasing an electric light duty vehicle over a vehicle with an internal combustion  
6 engine; to require the procurement of such an electric vehicle unless such calculator shows  
7 that a vehicle with an internal combustion engine would have a lower cost of ownership; to  
8 provide for exceptions; to provide for the submission of reports by the Department of  
9 Administrative Services; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide  
10 for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

12 **SECTION 1.**

13 Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state  
14 purchasing, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

15 "50-5-86.

16 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

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- 17 (1) 'Department' means the Department of Administrative Services.
- 18 (2) 'Electric light duty vehicle' means a light duty vehicle that is propelled by one or  
19 more electric motors fueled by energy stored in the form of a rechargeable battery.
- 20 (3) 'Light duty vehicle' means a vehicle with a gross weight of 12,500 pounds or less.
- 21 (4) 'State agency' means every state department, agency, board, bureau, office,  
22 commission, public corporation, and authority.
- 23 (5) 'Vehicle' shall mean a motor vehicle, as such term is defined in Code  
24 Section 40-2-39.
- 25 (b)(1) No later than October 1, 2025, the department shall identify a publicly available  
26 total cost of ownership calculator that will be used to assess and compare the total cost  
27 to purchase, own, lease, and operate light duty vehicles with internal combustion engines  
28 versus comparable electric light duty vehicles. Such calculator shall:
- 29 (A) At a minimum, account for the vehicle's make, model, and age; the average miles  
30 traveled per year for similarly used vehicles; the predicted life expectancy of the vehicle  
31 and average annual depreciation; the up-front and annual costs of purchasing and  
32 maintaining such vehicle and all other costs associated with owning or leasing such  
33 vehicle; and all costs the state agency must incur to add chargers or other fueling  
34 facilities to support such vehicle; and
- 35 (B) Be updated at least annually to account for updates in information, including  
36 information on the latest light duty vehicle models available.
- 37 (2) The department shall make the calculator it identifies pursuant to paragraph (1) of  
38 this subsection available to all state agencies by October 31, 2025, and provide to such  
39 agencies, upon request, technical assistance in using such calculator.
- 40 (c) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this Code section, beginning on  
41 January 1, 2026, all state agencies shall utilize the calculator identified by the department  
42 pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section prior to purchasing or  
43 leasing any light duty vehicle and shall purchase or lease an electric light duty vehicle

44 unless the calculator clearly indicates that purchasing or leasing a light duty vehicle with  
45 an internal combustion engine would have a lower cost of ownership.

46 (d)(1) Any state agency that is procuring an emergency vehicle or any vehicle that will  
47 be used in law enforcement, incident response, or other emergency response activities  
48 shall be exempt from the requirements of subsection (c) of this Code section in the  
49 procurement of such vehicle.

50 (2) Any state agency that believes it has a particular use for one or more light duty  
51 vehicles that could not be met with an electric light duty vehicle may apply for an  
52 exemption from the requirements of subsection (c) of this Code section by submitting to  
53 the department documentation evidencing such particular use. The department shall  
54 prescribe the form and manner of an application for an exemption under this paragraph.  
55 Upon satisfaction that a state agency's particular use for one or more light duty vehicles  
56 requires exceptional vehicle performance characteristics that cannot be met by an electric  
57 light duty vehicle, the department shall grant to such agency an exemption from the  
58 requirements of subsection (c) of this Code section in the procurement of such light duty  
59 vehicles.

60 (e) Beginning on January 1, 2028, and every three years thereafter, the department shall  
61 submit to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of  
62 the Senate a report summarizing the light duty vehicles procured by state agencies during  
63 the immediately preceding three years. The report shall, at a minimum, include:

64 (1) A compilation of the types of light duty vehicles procured by state agencies that  
65 includes the size, fuel source, and the estimated total cost of ownership of such vehicles;  
66 and

67 (2) An estimate of the avoided emissions that are attributable to state agencies  
68 purchasing or leasing electric light duty vehicles instead of purchasing or leasing light  
69 duty vehicles with internal combustion engines.

70 (f) The department is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as necessary to  
71 implement this Code section."

72 **SECTION 2.**

73 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.