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HOUSE BILL NO. 681

## BY REPRESENTATIVE ORTEGO

# TAX CREDITS: Changes the definition of alternative fuel for purposes of the tax credit for conversion of a vehicle to alternative fuel usage

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6035(B)(1), relative to income tax credits; to provide with
3	respect to the tax credit for conversion of vehicles to alternative fuel usage; to
4	provide for the definition of "alternative fuel"; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 47:6035(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§6035. Tax credit for conversion of vehicles to alternative fuel usage
8	* * *
9	B. As used in this Section, the following words and phrases shall have the
10	meaning ascribed to them in this Subsection unless the context clearly indicates
11	otherwise:
12	(1) "Alternative fuel" means a fuel which results in emissions of oxides of
13	nitrogen, volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, or particulates, or any
14	combination of these which are comparably lower than emissions from gasoline or
15	diesel and which meets or exceeds federal clean air standards, including but not
16	limited to compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas,
17	biofuel, biodiesel, methanol, ethanol, and electricity. natural gas, liquified petroleum
18	gas, and any non-ethanol based advanced biofuel.
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**Abstract:** Narrows the definition of "alternative fuel" to natural gas, liquified petroleum gas, and other non-ethanol based biofuels.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes an income tax credit for the cost of certain equipment necessary to convert a motor vehicle to operate on an "alternative fuel".

<u>Present law</u> defines "alternative fuel" as a fuel which results in emissions of oxides of nitrogen, volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, or particulates, or any combination of these which are comparably lower than emissions from gasoline or diesel and which meets or exceeds federal clean air standards, including but not limited to compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas, biofuel, biodiesel, methanol, ethanol, and electricity.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the definition of "alternative fuel" to natural gas, liquified petroleum gas, and any non-ethanol based advanced biofuel.

(Amends R.S. 47:6035(B)(1))