	ENERGY EFFICIENT VEHICLE REBATE
	2018 GENERAL SESSION
	STATE OF UTAH
	Chief Sponsor: Douglas V. Sagers
	Senate Sponsor:
L	ONG TITLE
G	eneral Description:
	This bill modifies provisions relating to energy efficient vehicle tax credits.
H	ighlighted Provisions:
	This bill:
	 defines terms;
	 establishes a nonrefundable tax credit for the purchase of a new qualifying hydrogen
ve	chicle that is registered in the state; and
	 makes technical changes.
Μ	Ioney Appropriated in this Bill:
	None
0	ther Special Clauses:
	None
U	tah Code Sections Affected:
A	MENDS:
	59-7-605, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapters 369 and 375
	59-10-1009, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapters 369 and 375
Be	e it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
	Section 1. Section 59-7-605 is amended to read:
	59-7-605. Definitions Tax credits related to energy efficient vehicles.

28	(1) As used in this section:
29	(a) "Air quality standards" means that a vehicle's emissions are equal to or cleaner than
30	the standards established in bin 4 in Table S04-1, of 40 C.F.R. 86.1811-04(c)(6).
31	(b) "Board" means the Air Quality Board created under Title 19, Chapter 2, Air
32	Conservation Act.
33	(c) "OEM vehicle" means the same as that term is defined in Section 19-1-402.
34	(d) "Original purchase" means the purchase of a vehicle that has never been titled or
35	registered and has been driven less than 7,500 miles.
36	(e) "Qualifying electric motorcycle" means a vehicle that:
37	(i) has a seat or saddle for the use of the rider;
38	(ii) is designed to travel with not more than three wheels in contact with the ground;
39	(iii) may lawfully be operated on a freeway, as defined in Section 41-6a-102;
40	(iv) is not fueled by natural gas;
41	(v) is fueled by electricity only; and
42	(vi) is an OEM vehicle except that the vehicle is fueled by a fuel described in
43	Subsection (1)(e)(v).
44	(f) "Qualifying electric vehicle" means a vehicle that:
45	(i) meets air quality standards;
46	(ii) is not fueled by natural gas;
47	(iii) draws propulsion energy from a battery with at least 10 kilowatt hours of capacity;
48	and
49	(iv) is an OEM vehicle except that the vehicle is fueled by a fuel described in
50	Subsection (1)(f)(iii).
51	(g) "Qualifying hydrogen vehicle" means a vehicle that:
52	(i) meets air quality standards;
53	(ii) uses pure hydrogen to supply energy to an electrochemical cell that produces
54	electricity through a noncombustion reaction and then uses the electricity to power an electric
55	motor; and
56	(iii) is an OEM vehicle except that the vehicle is fueled as described in Subsection
57	<u>(1)(g)(ii).</u>
58	[(g)] (h) "Qualifying plug-in hybrid vehicle" means a vehicle that:

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59	(i) meets air quality standards;
60	(ii) is not fueled by natural gas or propane;
61	(iii) has a battery capacity that meets or exceeds the battery capacity described in
62	Section 30D(b)(3), Internal Revenue Code; and
63	(iv) is fueled by a combination of electricity and:
64	(A) diesel fuel;
65	(B) gasoline; or
66	(C) a mixture of gasoline and ethanol.
67	(2) For a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2015, but beginning on or before
68	December 31, 2016, a taxpayer may claim a tax credit against tax otherwise due under this
69	chapter or Chapter 8, Gross Receipts Tax on Certain Corporations Not Required to Pay
70	Corporate Franchise or Income Tax Act, in an amount equal to:
71	(a) (i) for the original purchase of a new qualifying electric vehicle that is registered in
72	this state, the lesser of:
73	(A) \$1,500; or
74	(B) 35% of the purchase price of the vehicle; or
75	(ii) for the original purchase of a new qualifying plug-in hybrid vehicle that is
76	registered in this state, \$1,000;
77	(b) for the original purchase of a new vehicle fueled by natural gas or propane that is
78	registered in this state, the lesser of:
79	(i) \$1,500; or
80	(ii) 35% of the purchase price of the vehicle;
81	(c) for the original purchase of a new qualifying electric motorcycle that is registered in
82	this state, the lesser of:
83	(i) \$750; or
84	(ii) 35% of the purchase price of the vehicle; and
85	(d) for a lease of a vehicle described in Subsection (2)(a), (b), or (c), an amount equal
86	to the product of:
87	(i) the amount of tax credit the taxpayer would otherwise qualify to claim under
88	Subsection (2)(a), (b), or (c) had the taxpayer purchased the vehicle, except that the purchase
89	price described in Subsection (2)(a)(i)(B), (2)(b)(ii), or (2)(c)(ii) is considered to be the value

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90 of the vehicle at the beginning of the lease; and 91 (ii) a percentage calculated by: 92 (A) determining the difference between the value of the vehicle at the beginning of the 93 lease, as stated in the lease agreement, and the value of the vehicle at the end of the lease, as 94 stated in the lease agreement; and 95 (B) dividing the difference determined under Subsection (2)(d)(ii)(A) by the value of the vehicle at the beginning of the lease, as stated in the lease agreement. 96 97 (3) For a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2019, but beginning on or before 98 December 31, 2022, a taxpayer may claim a nonrefundable tax credit against tax otherwise due 99 under this chapter or Chapter 8, Gross Receipts Tax on Certain Corporations Not Required to 100 Pay Corporate Franchise or Income Tax Act, in an amount equal to \$3,000 for the original 101 purchase of a new qualifying hydrogen vehicle that is registered in this state. 102 $\left[\frac{(3)}{(4)}\right]$ (4) (a) The board shall: 103 (i) determine the amount of tax credit a taxpayer is allowed under this section; and 104 (ii) provide the taxpayer with a written certification of the amount of tax credit the 105 taxpayer is allowed under this section. 106 (b) A taxpayer shall provide proof of the purchase or lease of an item for which a tax 107 credit is allowed under this section by: 108 (i) providing proof to the board in the form the board requires by rule; 109 (ii) receiving a written statement from the board acknowledging receipt of the proof; 110 and 111 (iii) retaining the written statement described in Subsection $\left[\frac{(3)}{(3)}\right]$ (4)(b)(ii). 112 (c) A taxpaver shall retain the written certification described in Subsection $\left[\frac{3}{3}\right]$ 113 <u>(4)</u>(a)(ii). 114 $\left[\frac{(4)}{(5)}\right]$ (5) Except as provided by Subsection $\left[\frac{(5)}{(5)}\right]$ (6), the tax credit under this section is 115 allowed only: 116 (a) against a tax owed under this chapter or Chapter 8, Gross Receipts Tax on Certain 117 Corporations Not Required to Pay Corporate Franchise or Income Tax Act, in the taxable year 118 by the taxpayer; 119 (b) for the taxable year in which a vehicle described in Subsection (2)(a), (2)(b), [or]120 (2)(c), or (3) is purchased or a vehicle described in Subsection (2)(d) is leased; and

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121	(c) once per vehicle.
122	[(5)] (6) A taxpayer may not assign a tax credit under this section to another person.
123	[(6)] (7) If the amount of a tax credit claimed by a taxpayer under [this section]
124	Subsection (2)(a), (b), (c), or (d) exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability under this chapter or
125	Chapter 8, Gross Receipts Tax on Certain Corporations Not Required to Pay Corporate
126	Franchise or Income Tax Act, for a taxable year, the amount of the tax credit exceeding the tax
127	liability may be carried forward for a period that does not exceed the next five taxable years.
128	[(7)] (8) In accordance with any rules prescribed by the commission under Subsection
129	[(8)] (9), the Division of Finance shall transfer at least annually from the General Fund into the
130	Education Fund the amount by which the amount of tax credit claimed under this section for a
131	fiscal year exceeds \$500,000.
132	[(8)] (9) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking
133	Act, the commission may make rules for making a transfer from the General Fund into the
134	Education Fund as required by Subsection [(7)] (8).
135	Section 2. Section 59-10-1009 is amended to read:
136	59-10-1009. Definitions Tax credits related to energy efficient vehicles.
137	(1) As used in this section:
138	(a) "Air quality standards" means that a vehicle's emissions are equal to or cleaner than
139	the standards established in bin 4 in Table S04-1, of 40 C.F.R. 86.1811-04(c)(6).
140	(b) "Board" means the Air Quality Board created in Title 19, Chapter 2, Air
141	Conservation Act.
142	(c) "OEM vehicle" means the same as that term is defined in Section 19-1-402.
143	(d) "Original purchase" means the purchase of a vehicle that has never been titled or
144	registered and has been driven less than 7,500 miles.
145	(e) "Qualifying electric motorcycle" means a vehicle that:
146	(i) has a seat or saddle for the use of the rider;
147	(ii) is designed to travel with not more than three wheels in contact with the ground;
148	(iii) may lawfully be operated on a freeway, as defined in Section 41-6a-102;
149	(iv) is not fueled by natural gas;
150	(v) is fueled by electricity only; and
151	(vi) is an OEM vehicle except that the vehicle is fueled by a fuel described in

152	Subsection (1)(e)(v).
153	(f) "Qualifying electric vehicle" means a vehicle that:
154	(i) meets air quality standards;
155	(ii) is not fueled by natural gas;
156	(iii) draws propulsion energy from a battery with at least 10 kilowatt hours of capacity;
157	and
158	(iv) is an OEM vehicle except that the vehicle is fueled by a fuel described in
159	Subsection (1)(f)(iii).
160	(g) "Qualifying hydrogen vehicle" means a vehicle that:
161	(i) meets air quality standards;
162	(ii) uses pure hydrogen to supply energy to an electrochemical cell that produces
163	electricity through a noncombustion reaction and then uses the electricity to power an electric
164	motor; and
165	(iii) is an OEM vehicle except that the vehicle is fueled as described in Subsection
166	<u>(1)(g)(ii).</u>
167	[(g)] (h) "Qualifying plug-in hybrid vehicle" means a vehicle that:
168	(i) meets air quality standards;
169	(ii) is not fueled by natural gas or propane;
170	(iii) has a battery capacity that meets or exceeds the battery capacity described in
171	Section 30D(b)(3), Internal Revenue Code; and
172	(iv) is fueled by a combination of electricity and:
173	(A) diesel fuel;
174	(B) gasoline; or
175	(C) a mixture of gasoline and ethanol.
176	(2) For a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2015, but beginning on or before
177	December 31, 2016, a claimant, estate, or trust may claim a nonrefundable tax credit against
178	tax otherwise due under this chapter in an amount equal to:
179	(a) (i) for the original purchase of a new qualifying electric vehicle that is registered in
180	this state, the lesser of:
181	(A) \$1,500; or
182	(B) 35% of the purchase price of the vehicle; or

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183	(ii) for the original purchase of a new qualifying plug-in hybrid vehicle that is
184	registered in this state, \$1,000;
185	(b) for the original purchase of a new vehicle fueled by natural gas or propane that is
186	registered in this state, the lesser of:
187	(i) \$1,500; or
188	(ii) 35% of the purchase price of the vehicle;
189	(c) for the original purchase of a new qualifying electric motorcycle that is registered in
190	this state, the lesser of:
191	(i) \$750; or
192	(ii) 35% of the purchase price of the vehicle; and
193	(d) for a lease of a vehicle described in Subsection (2)(a), (b), or (c), an amount equal
194	to the product of:
195	(i) the amount of tax credit the claimant, estate, or trust would otherwise qualify to
196	claim under Subsection (2)(a), (b), or (c) had the claimant, estate, or trust purchased the
197	vehicle, except that the purchase price described in Subsection (2)(a)(i)(B), (2)(b)(ii), or
198	(2)(c)(ii) is considered to be the value of the vehicle at the beginning of the lease; and
199	(ii) a percentage calculated by:
200	(A) determining the difference between the value of the vehicle at the beginning of the
201	lease, as stated in the lease agreement, and the value of the vehicle at the end of the lease, as
202	stated in the lease agreement; and
203	(B) dividing the difference determined under Subsection (2)(d)(ii)(A) by the value of
204	the vehicle at the beginning of the lease, as stated in the lease agreement.
205	(3) For a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2019, but beginning on or before
206	December 31, 2022, a claimant, estate, or trust may claim a nonrefundable tax credit against
207	tax otherwise due under this chapter in an amount equal to \$3,000 for the original purchase of a
208	new qualifying hydrogen vehicle that is registered in this state.
209	[(3)] (4) (a) The board shall:
210	(i) determine the amount of tax credit a claimant, estate, or trust is allowed under this
211	section; and
212	(ii) provide the claimant, estate, or trust with a written certification of the amount of
213	tax credit the claimant, estate, or trust is allowed under this section.

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214	(b) A claimant, estate, or trust shall provide proof of the purchase or lease of an item
215	for which a tax credit is allowed under this section by:
216	(i) providing proof to the board in the form the board requires by rule;
217	(ii) receiving a written statement from the board acknowledging receipt of the proof;
218	and
219	(iii) retaining the written statement described in Subsection [(3)] (4)(b)(ii).
220	(c) A claimant, estate, or trust shall retain the written certification described in
221	Subsection $[(3)]$ (4)(a)(ii).
222	[(4)] (5) Except as provided by Subsection $[(5)]$ (6), the tax credit under this section is
223	allowed only:
224	(a) against a tax owed under this chapter in the taxable year by the claimant, estate, or
225	trust;
226	(b) for the taxable year in which a vehicle described in Subsection $(2)(a), (2)(b), [or]$
227	(2)(c), or (3) is purchased or a vehicle described in Subsection $(2)(d)$ is leased; and
228	(c) once per vehicle.
229	[(5)] (6) A claimant, estate, or trust may not assign a tax credit under this section to
230	another person.
231	[(6)] (7) If the amount of a tax credit claimed by a claimant, estate, or trust under [this
232	section] Subsection (2)(a), (b), (c), or (d) exceeds the claimant's, estate's, or trust's tax liability
233	under this chapter for a taxable year, the amount of the tax credit exceeding the tax liability
234	may be carried forward for a period that does not exceed the next five taxable years.
235	[(7)] (8) In accordance with any rules prescribed by the commission under Subsection
236	[(8)] (9), the Division of Finance shall transfer at least annually from the General Fund into the
237	Education Fund the amount by which the amount of tax credit claimed under this section for a
238	fiscal year exceeds \$500,000.
239	[(8)] (9) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking
240	Act, the commission may make rules for making a transfer from the General Fund into the
241	Education Fund as required by Subsection [(7)] (8).

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