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1 AN ACT Relating to reducing emissions by making changes to the
2 clean car standards and clean car program; amending RCW 70.120A.010
3 and 70.120A.050; and repealing RCW 70.120A.020.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.120A.010 and 2010 c 76 s 1 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) Pursuant to the federal clean air act, the legislature adopts
8 the California motor vehicle emission standards in Title 13 of the
9 California Code of Regulations (~~(, effective January 1, 2005, except~~
10 ~~as provided in this chapter)~~). The department of ecology shall adopt
11 rules to implement the motor vehicle emission standards of the state
12 of California (~~(for passenger cars, light duty trucks, and medium~~
13 ~~duty passenger vehicles)~~), including the zero emission vehicle
14 program, and shall amend the rules from time to time, to maintain
15 consistency with the California motor vehicle emission standards and
16 42 U.S.C. Sec. 7507 (section 177 of the federal clean air act).
17 (~~(Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter, the department of~~
18 ~~ecology shall not adopt the zero emission vehicle program regulations~~
19 ~~contained in Title 13 section 1962 of the California Code of~~
20 ~~Regulations effective January 1, 2005. During rule development, the~~
21 ~~department of ecology shall convene an advisory group composed of~~

1 industry and consumer group representatives. Any proposed rules or
2 changes to rules shall be subject to review and comment by the
3 advisory group, prior to rule adoption. The order of adoption for the
4 rules required in this section shall include the signature of the
5 governor. The rules shall be effective only for those model years for
6 which the state of Oregon has adopted the California motor vehicle
7 emission standards. This section does not limit the department of
8 ecology's authority to regulate motor vehicle emissions for any other
9 class of vehicle.

10 ~~(2) Motor vehicles with a model year equal to or later than the~~
11 ~~first model year for which new vehicles sold to Washington state~~
12 ~~residents are required to comply with California motor vehicle~~
13 ~~emission standards are exempt from emission inspections under chapter~~
14 ~~70.120 RCW.~~

15 ~~(3))~~ (2) The provisions of this chapter do not apply with
16 respect to the use by a resident of this state of a motor vehicle
17 acquired and used while the resident is a member of the armed
18 services and is stationed outside this state pursuant to military
19 orders.

20 **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.120A.050 and 2014 c 76 s 8 are each amended to
21 read as follows:

22 (1) No model year 2010 or subsequent model year new passenger
23 car, light duty truck, or medium duty (~~passenger~~) vehicle may be
24 sold in Washington unless there is securely and conspicuously affixed
25 in a clearly visible location a label on which the manufacturer
26 clearly discloses comparative greenhouse gas emissions for that new
27 vehicle.

28 (2) The label required by this section should include a
29 greenhouse gas index or rating system that contains quantitative and
30 graphical information presented in a continuous, easy-to-read scale
31 that compares the greenhouse gas emissions from the vehicle with the
32 average projected greenhouse gas emissions from all passenger cars,
33 light duty trucks, and medium duty (~~passenger~~) vehicles of the same
34 model year. For reference purposes, the index or rating system should
35 also identify the greenhouse gas emissions from the vehicle model of
36 that same model year that has the lowest greenhouse gas emissions.

37 (3) The index or rating system included in the label under
38 subsection (2) of this section shall be updated as necessary to

1 ensure that the differences in greenhouse gas emissions among
2 vehicles are readily apparent to the consumer.

3 (4) An automobile manufacturer may apply to the department of
4 ecology for approval of an alternative to the disclosure labeling
5 requirement that is at least as effective in providing notification
6 and disclosure of the vehicle's greenhouse gas emissions as is the
7 labeling required by this section.

8 (5) A label that complies with the requirements of the California
9 greenhouse gas vehicle labeling program shall be deemed to meet the
10 requirements of this section and any rules adopted under this
11 section.

12 (6) The department of ecology may adopt such rules as are
13 necessary to implement this section.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** RCW 70.120A.020 (Early credits and banking
15 —Alternative means of compliance) and 2005 c 295 s 3 are each
16 repealed.

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