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## SENATE BILL No. 348

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**Citations Affected:** IC 9-13; IC 9-29.

**Synopsis:** Advanced technology vehicles. Imposes an annual fee on advanced technology vehicles. Deposits the fees in the motor vehicle highway account.

**Effective:** July 1, 2015.

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January 8, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security & Transportation.

February 12, 2015, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass; reassigned to Committee on Tax & Fiscal Policy.

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First Regular Session 119th General Assembly (2015)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-13-2-1.8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2015]: **Sec. 1.8. "Advanced technology vehicle", for purposes of**  
4 **IC 9-29-18, has the meaning set forth in IC 9-29-18-2.**  
5 SECTION 2. IC 9-29-18 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
6 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
7 1, 2015]:  
8 **Chapter 18. Advanced Technology Vehicle Fee**  
9 **Sec. 1. This chapter applies to annual motor vehicle**  
10 **registrations that occur after December 31, 2015.**  
11 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "advanced technology vehicle"**  
12 **means a vehicle that combines new engine, power, or drivetrain**  
13 **systems to significantly improve fuel economy. The term includes**  
14 **electric vehicles, vehicles powered by hydrogen fuel cells, and**  
15 **motor vehicles commonly referred to as "plug in" or "plug in**  
16 **hybrid" vehicles.**

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1           **Sec. 3. (a) The owner of an advanced technology vehicle that is**  
 2 **registered in Indiana shall pay an annual fee.**

3           **(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), the amount of the fee**  
 4 **is as follows:**

	<b>"Plug In" or "Plug In Hybrid"</b>	<b>Other advanced technology vehicle</b>
5           A passenger motor vehicle	\$50	\$100
6           A truck, van, recreational		
7           vehicle, or bus, having a		
8           declared gross weight of not		
9           more than 9,000 pounds	\$100	\$200
10          A truck, van, recreational		
11          vehicle, or bus, having a		
12          declared gross weight greater		
13          than 9,000 pounds but not		
14          more than 11,000 pounds	\$125	\$250
15          A truck, van, recreational		
16          vehicle, or bus, having a		
17          declared gross weight greater		
18          than 11,000 pounds	\$150	\$300
19          A tractor, designed to be used		
20          with a semitrailer	\$250	\$500

21           **(c) This subsection applies to an advanced technology vehicle**  
 22 **that is subject to the International Registration Plan. The annual**  
 23 **fee imposed under this section on the motor vehicle is equal to:**

- 24           **(1) the applicable fee under subsection (b); multiplied by**  
 25           **(2) a percentage equal to the percentage of the owner's**  
 26           **registration fee for the motor vehicle that is apportioned to**  
 27           **Indiana under the International Registration Plan.**

28           **Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the annual fee**  
 29 **imposed under section 3 of this chapter is due on or before the**  
 30 **regular annual registration date in each year that the owner of the**  
 31 **advanced technology vehicle is required to register vehicles under**  
 32 **Indiana law.**

33           **(b) This subsection applies to an advanced technology vehicle**  
 34 **that is subject to the International Registration Plan. The annual**  
 35 **fee imposed under section 3(b) of this chapter is due on or before**  
 36 **the regular annual registration date in each year that the owner of**  
 37 **the advanced technology vehicle is required to register the vehicle**  
 38 **under the terms of the International Registration Plan.**

39           **Sec. 5. Payment of the annual fee imposed under section 3 of this**  
 40 **chapter is a condition to the right to register or reregister an**  
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1 advanced technology vehicle. The fee is in addition to all other  
2 conditions, taxes, and fees prescribed by law.

3 Sec. 6. The bureau may accept a voucher from the department  
4 of state revenue showing payment of the annual fee imposed under  
5 section 3(b) of this chapter instead of a payment under section 3(a)  
6 of this chapter.

7 Sec. 7. The annual fee imposed under section 3 of this chapter  
8 must be reduced proportionately on a monthly basis if:

9 (1) the advanced technology vehicle is registered in a calendar  
10 month following the month in which:

11 (A) the owner's annual registration date occurs; or

12 (B) the owner is required to register motor vehicles under  
13 the International Registration Plan; and

14 (2) the motor vehicle is newly:

15 (A) converted to an advanced technology vehicle;

16 (B) purchased; or

17 (C) registered in Indiana.

18 Sec. 8. (a) A person is entitled to a refund of a fee paid under  
19 section 3 of this chapter if the advanced technology vehicle on  
20 which the fee is imposed is sold or destroyed before the person's  
21 registration year elapses. Subject to subsection (b), the amount of  
22 the refund is equal to:

23 (1) the amount of the fee paid; multiplied by

24 (2) a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the number of  
25 full calendar months occurring after the date of the sale or  
26 destruction of the advanced technology vehicle and before the  
27 date on which the person would have been required to  
28 reregister the advanced technology vehicle. The denominator  
29 of the fraction is twelve (12).

30 (b) The amount of a refund determined under subsection (a)  
31 must be rounded upward to the next full dollar amount.

32 Sec. 9. The bureau shall deposit fees collected under this chapter  
33 in the motor vehicle highway account.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 348, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, line 11, delete "11,000" and insert "**9,000**".

and when so amended that said bill do pass and be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy.

(Reference is to SB 348 as introduced.)

YODER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 1.

