

HOUSE BILL 1180

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By: **Delegates Fraser–Hidalgo, Barve, Hill, Korman, Lierman, Shetty, and Wilkins**
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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Energy Administration – Plug–In Electric Drive Vehicle Rebate**
3 **Program**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing a Plug–In Electric Drive Vehicle Rebate Program;
5 requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to administer the Program;
6 authorizing certain persons to apply to the Administration in certain fiscal years for
7 a rebate for the cost of acquiring certain plug–in electric drive vehicles; providing
8 that the total amount of rebates issued may not exceed a certain amount for each
9 fiscal year; authorizing the Administration to issue rebates in certain amounts;
10 limiting the number of rebates that may be issued to certain persons in a certain
11 manner; requiring a vehicle for which a rebate is claimed to meet certain
12 requirements; authorizing the Administration to adopt regulations to carry out the
13 Program; requiring the Administration to use the Maryland Strategic Energy
14 Investment Fund to reimburse the General Fund for the cost of the Program;
15 requiring that a certain amount be transferred from the Maryland Strategic Energy
16 Investment Fund to the General Fund in certain fiscal years to offset the cost of the
17 Program; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; providing for
18 the termination of this Act; and generally relating to establishing the Plug–In
19 Electric Drive Vehicle Rebate Program.

20 BY adding to

21 Article – State Government
22 Section 9–2010 and 9–20B–05(f)(9)
23 Annotated Code of Maryland
24 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

25 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

26 Article – State Government
27 Section 9–20B–05(a)
28 Annotated Code of Maryland
29 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
2 Article – State Government
3 Section 9–20B–05(f)(8) and (9)
4 Annotated Code of Maryland
5 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

6 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
7 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

8 **Article – State Government**

9 **9–2010.**

10 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
11 INDICATED.

12 (2) “PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE” HAS THE MEANING STATED
13 IN § 11–145.1 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.

14 (3) “PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE REBATE” MEANS A REBATE
15 ISSUED BY THE ADMINISTRATION UNDER THIS SECTION FOR THE COST OF A
16 PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE.

17 (B) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO A PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE
18 THAT:

19 (1) HAS NOT BEEN MODIFIED FROM ORIGINAL MANUFACTURER
20 SPECIFICATIONS;

21 (2) IS ACQUIRED FOR USE OR LEASE BY THE OWNER AND NOT FOR
22 RESALE;

23 (3) HAS A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE NOT EXCEEDING \$60,000;

24 (4) HAS A BATTERY CAPACITY OF AT LEAST 5.0 KILOWATT–HOURS;
25 AND

26 (5) IS PURCHASED NEW OR USED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2020, BUT
27 BEFORE JULY 1, 2023.

28 (C) (1) THERE IS A PLUG–IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE REBATE
29 PROGRAM.

1 **(2) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM.**

2 **(D) (1) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021 THROUGH 2023, SUBJECT TO THE**
3 **PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, AN INDIVIDUAL, A BUSINESS ENTITY, OR A UNIT OF**
4 **STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY APPLY TO THE ADMINISTRATION FOR A**
5 **PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE REBATE FOR THE COST OF ACQUIRING A**
6 **PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE.**

7 **(2) FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF REBATES ISSUED**
8 **BY THE ADMINISTRATION MAY NOT EXCEED \$8,000,000.**

9 **(E) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ISSUE A PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE**
10 **REBATE:**

11 **(1) FOR A NEW VEHICLE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE LESSER OF:**

12 **(I) THE PRODUCT OF \$100 AND THE NUMBER OF**
13 **KILOWATT-HOURS OF BATTERY CAPACITY OF THE VEHICLE; OR**

14 **(II) \$3,000; AND**

15 **(2) FOR A USED VEHICLE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE LESSER OF:**

16 **(I) THE PRODUCT OF \$100 AND THE NUMBER OF**
17 **KILOWATT-HOURS OF BATTERY CAPACITY OF THE VEHICLE; OR**

18 **(II) \$1,500.**

19 **(F) THE REBATE ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION IS LIMITED TO THE**
20 **ACQUISITION OF:**

21 **(1) ONE VEHICLE PER INDIVIDUAL; AND**

22 **(2) 10 VEHICLES PER BUSINESS ENTITY OR UNIT OF STATE OR LOCAL**
23 **GOVERNMENT.**

24 **(G) A REBATE MAY NOT BE CLAIMED UNDER THIS SECTION:**

25 **(1) FOR A VEHICLE UNLESS THE VEHICLE IS REGISTERED IN THE**
26 **STATE; OR**

27 **(2) UNLESS THE MANUFACTURER HAS ALREADY CONFORMED TO ANY**
28 **APPLICABLE STATE OR FEDERAL LAWS OR REGULATIONS GOVERNING CLEAN-FUEL**

1 VEHICLE OR ELECTRIC VEHICLE PURCHASES APPLICABLE DURING THE CALENDAR
2 YEAR IN WHICH THE VEHICLE IS TITLED.

3 (H) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS
4 SECTION.

5 9–20B–05.

6 (a) There is a Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund.

7 (f) The Administration shall use the Fund:

8 (8) to provide grants to encourage combined heat and power projects at
9 industrial facilities; [and]

10 (9) IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 9–2010 OF THIS ARTICLE, TO REIMBURSE
11 THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE COSTS THAT RESULT FROM THE PLUG–IN ELECTRIC
12 DRIVE VEHICLE REBATE PROGRAM; AND

13 [(9)] (10) to pay the expenses of the Program.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other
15 provision of law, for fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023, respectively, the lesser of \$8,000,000
16 or the actual total amount of rebates issued shall be transferred from the Maryland
17 Strategic Energy Investment Fund established under § 9–20B–05 of the State Government
18 Article to the General Fund to offset the cost of the Plug–In Electric Drive Vehicle Rebate
19 Program established under § 9–2010 of the State Government Article, as enacted by Section
20 1 of this Act.

21 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
22 1, 2020. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30, 2024,
23 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
24 of no further force and effect.