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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the required fuel efficiency of newly  
2 purchased state and local government vehicles.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 18.115, subsection 4, unnumbered  
2 paragraph 2, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:

3 The state fleet administrator, and any other state agency,  
4 which for purposes of this subsection includes but is not  
5 limited to community colleges and institutions under the  
6 control of the state board of regents, or local governmental  
7 political subdivision purchasing new motor vehicles shall  
8 purchase new passenger vehicles and light trucks so that the  
9 average fuel efficiency for the fleet of new passenger  
10 vehicles and light trucks purchased in that year ~~equals-or~~  
11 exceeds the average fuel economy standard for the vehicles'  
12 model year as established by the United States secretary of  
13 transportation under 15 U.S.C. § 2002. This paragraph does  
14 not apply to vehicles purchased for law enforcement purposes  
15 or used for off-road maintenance work, or work vehicles used  
16 to pull loaded trailers.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill requires the state fleet administrator, state  
19 agencies, and local governmental political subdivisions, when  
20 purchasing new passenger vehicles and light trucks, to  
21 purchase such vehicles in such a combination that the average  
22 fuel efficiency for the new vehicles exceeds the average fuel  
23 economy standard for the vehicles' model year as established  
24 by the United States secretary of transportation. Currently,  
25 such purchases are required to be made in such a combination  
26 that the average fuel efficiency for the new vehicles equals  
27 or exceeds the standard.

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