



Ohio Revised Code

Section 122.076 Alternative fuel vehicle conversion program.

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(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Alternative fuel" means compressed natural gas, liquid natural gas, or liquid petroleum gas.

(2) "Alternative fuel vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is registered in this state for operation on public highways, is propelled by a motor that runs on alternative fuel, and has a gross vehicle rating of at least twenty-six thousand pounds. "Alternative fuel vehicle" includes a bi-fueled or dual-fueled vehicle with a motor that can run on both alternative fuel and on gasoline or diesel fuel.

(3) "New alternative fuel vehicle" means an alternative fuel vehicle that meets all of the following criteria:

(a) The purchaser purchased the vehicle from an original equipment manufacturer, automobile retailer, or after-market conversion facility.

(b) The purchaser was the first person to purchase the vehicle not for resale.

(c) The purchaser purchased the vehicle for use in business.

(d) The alternative fuel technology used in the vehicle has received a compliance designation or been certified by the United States environmental protection agency for new or intermediate use.

(4) "Traditional fuel vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is registered in this state for operation on public highways and that is propelled by gasoline or diesel fuel.

(5) "Adjusted purchase price" means the portion of the purchase price of a new alternative fuel vehicle that is attributable to the parts and equipment used for the storage of alternative fuel, the delivery of alternative fuel to the motor, and the exhaust of gases from the combustion of alternative



fuel.

(6) "Conversion parts and equipment" shall not include parts and equipment that have previously been used to modify or retrofit another traditional fuel vehicle.

(B) The director of environmental protection shall administer an alternative fuel vehicle conversion program under which the director may make grants to a person that purchases one or more new alternative fuel vehicles or converts one or more traditional fuel vehicles into alternative fuel vehicles.

(C) The director shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that are necessary for the administration of the alternative fuel vehicle conversion program. The rules shall establish all of the following:

(1) An application form and procedures governing the process for applying to receive a grant under the program;

(2) The maximum grant amount allowed per alternative fuel vehicle, which shall equal the lesser of fifty per cent of the adjusted purchase price of the new alternative fuel vehicle or of the cost of the conversion parts and equipment, as applicable, or twenty-five thousand dollars;

(3) The limit on the total amount of grants allowed to a person that purchases or converts multiple alternative fuel vehicles, which shall equal four hundred thousand dollars;

(4) A requirement that each grant recipient attest that, of the total number of miles that the recipient or any employee or agent of the recipient will drive the alternative fuel vehicle, over half will be within this state;

(5) Any other procedures, criteria, or grant terms that the director determines necessary to administer the program.