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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2241

By: Representative Davis

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION FEE FOR  
ALTERNATIVE FUEL AND HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLES; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION FEE  
FOR ALTERNATIVE FUEL AND HYBRID MOTOR  
VEHICLES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. The introductory language of Arkansas Code § 27-14-601(a), concerning motor vehicle registration and licensing fees, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Fees Generally. ~~The~~ Except as provided in § 27-14-613, the fee for the registration and licensing of all motor vehicles shall be as follows:

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 14, Subchapter 6, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

27-14-613. Additional registration fees for alternative fuel and hybrid motor vehicles.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Alternative fuel vehicle" means a motor vehicle that runs:

(A) On a fuel other than petrol or diesel fuel; or

(B) Solely on electricity;

(2) "Arkansas highway construction cost index" means the result determined by taking the sum of the indicator index for each indicator and



dividing it by the sum of the base dollar amount for each indicator;

(3) "Average unit price" means the total contract price for an indicator for a year divided by the total quantity of the indicator purchased for the year;

(4) "Base dollar amount" means the average unit price for the base year for an indicator multiplied by the quantity of the indicator purchased during the base year;

(5) "Base year" means the calendar year immediately preceding the year for which the indicator index is calculated;

(6) "Hybrid vehicle" means a motor vehicle that uses two (2) or more distinct power sources to propel the vehicle, including without limitation a vehicle with an internal combustion engine and one (1) or more electric motors;

(7) "Indicator" means each of the following:

(A) Bituminous concrete;

(B) Portland cement concrete;

(C) Reinforcing steel;

(D) Structural concrete;

(E) Structural steel; and

(F) Unclassified excavation;

(8) "Indicator index" means the product of:

(A) The average unit price of an indicator from the calendar year for which the index is calculated; and

(B) The quality of the indicator purchased in the base year.

(b) For calendar year 2018, a registration fee in addition to the registration and licensing fees required under § 27-14-601(a) shall be charged in the amount of:

(1) One hundred eighty-four dollars (\$184), if the motor vehicle is an alternative fuel vehicle; or

(2) Ninety dollars (\$90.00), if the motor vehicle is a hybrid vehicle.

(c) For calendar years after 2018, the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall calculate the registration fee for:

(1) An alternative fuel vehicle by multiplying the alternative fuel vehicle registration fee provided in subdivision (b)(1) of this section

by the Arkansas highway construction cost index for the preceding fiscal year; and

(2) A hybrid vehicle by dividing the amount determined in subdivision (c)(1) of this section by two (2).

(d)(1) Beginning in 2018, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department shall certify the Arkansas highway construction cost index for the current fiscal year, subject to audit by Arkansas Legislative Audit, to the Department of Finance and Administration by July 30 of each year on forms prescribed by the Department of Finance and Administration.

(2) The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department shall provide documentation supporting the certification required in subdivision (d)(1) of this section as requested by the Department of Finance and Administration.