

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended by  
5 adding Section 9.20 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 5/9.20 new)

7 Sec. 9.20. Fleet Electrification Incentive Program.

8 (a) In this Section:

9 "Eligible electric vehicle" means an electric truck or  
10 electric school bus categorized by the United States  
11 Environmental Protection Agency Emissions Classifications,  
12 using gross vehicle weight ratings, as a Class 2b, 3, 4, 5, 6,  
13 7, or 8 vehicle, with or without a properly ventilated,  
14 conventionally powered heater.

15 "Eligible purchaser" means a person who the Agency  
16 determines:

17 (1) is the purchaser of an eligible electric vehicle  
18 that is registered in this State or recognized under the  
19 International Registration Plan;

20 (2) is domiciled in this State;

21 (3) in the case of a purchaser who is the lessee of an  
22 eligible electric vehicle, is the lessee of the vehicle  
23 for a term of at least 60 months; and

1           (4) has demonstrated, to the satisfaction of the  
2           Agency, that the eligible electric vehicle will operate  
3           within the State for at least 80% of its operational hours  
4           once purchased and delivered.

5           "Equity investment eligible community" has the meaning  
6           given in the Energy Transition Act.

7           "Program" means the Fleet Electrification Incentive  
8           Program established under this Section.

9           "Purchaser" means a fleet owner, operator, or provider  
10           that will operate or manage the vehicle for a minimum of 5  
11           years after receipt of the vehicle, whether through lease or  
12           direct purchase.

13           (b) To promote the use of eligible electric vehicles, the  
14           Agency shall establish, by rule, a Fleet Electrification  
15           Incentive Program through which it provides eligible  
16           purchasers a grant of up to the following base amounts for the  
17           purchase of an eligible electric vehicle:

18                   (1) \$7,500 for a Class 2b vehicle;

19                   (2) \$45,000 for a Class 3 vehicle;

20                   (3) \$60,000 for a Class 4 or Class 5 vehicle;

21                   (4) \$85,000 for a Class 6 or Class 7 vehicle; and

22                   (5) \$120,000 for a Class 8 vehicle.

23           In addition, the Agency shall offer increased grant  
24           incentives of an additional 65% of the base amount for the  
25           purchase of a school bus that will serve a public school  
26           district.

1       (c) The Agency shall award grants under the Program to  
2 eligible purchasers on a competitive basis according to the  
3 availability of funding. The Agency shall use a points-based  
4 quantitative evaluation to be determined by the Agency by  
5 rule.

6       The Agency shall award additional points to an application  
7 from an eligible purchaser whose eligible electric vehicles  
8 are to be domiciled in an equity investment eligible  
9 community.

10       The Agency shall also award additional points to an  
11 eligible purchaser who has negotiated and entered into a  
12 collective bargaining agreement at the time of application for  
13 the grant.

14       (d) A grant provided under the Program is limited to a  
15 maximum award of 80% of the purchase price per eligible  
16 electric vehicle. Multiple eligible electric vehicles may be  
17 included in each grant under the Program. An eligible  
18 purchaser may be awarded multiple grants under the Program;  
19 however, the Agency shall have the authority to implement, by  
20 rule, a limit on the number of grants awarded to each  
21 purchaser.

22       (e) An eligible purchaser shall enter into a grant  
23 agreement with the Agency upon notification from the Agency  
24 that the eligible purchaser's application has been approved.  
25 Grants under this Section shall be provided by the Agency with  
26 the submittal of a paid invoice for reimbursement. An eligible

1 purchaser participating in the Program shall retain ownership  
2 of the eligible electric vehicle and meet all applicable  
3 project requirements for a minimum 5-year period after the  
4 date the eligible purchaser receives the vehicle. Resale of an  
5 eligible electric vehicle may be allowed within the 5-year  
6 period if necessitated by unforeseen or unavoidable  
7 circumstances with approval from the Agency. The Agency shall  
8 ensure the resale of an eligible electric vehicle serving a  
9 public school or located within an equity investment eligible  
10 community shall result in the vehicle servicing a similarly  
11 situated community.

12 (f) The deployment of the eligible electric vehicle in the  
13 purchaser's fleet is required within 24 months after receipt  
14 of notice of approval of the purchaser's Program application.  
15 Total completion of the project for which the eligible  
16 electric vehicle is purchased or leased must occur within 36  
17 months after receipt of grant funds under the Program.

18 (g) A grant under this Section may be combined with other  
19 public incentives to support fleet purchasing decisions.  
20 Receipt of any other public incentive for an eligible electric  
21 vehicle shall not preclude a purchaser from being awarded a  
22 grant under this Section. However, the combined total of  
23 governmental incentives, including, but not limited to, tax  
24 credits, grants, or vouchers, shall not exceed 80% of the  
25 purchase price of the vehicle.

26 (h) The Agency shall set aside 20% of the appropriated

1 funds under the Program for grants to the eligible purchaser  
2 of an electric school bus.

3 (i) All awards granted under this Section are subject to  
4 appropriation by the General Assembly.