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HOUSE BILL NO. 681

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TAX CREDITS: Changes the definition of alternative fuel for purposes of the tax credit for conversion of a vehicle to alternative fuel usage

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6035(B)(1), relative to income tax credits; to provide with 3 respect to the tax credit for conversion of vehicles to alternative fuel usage; to 4 provide for the definition of "alternative fuel"; and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 47:6035(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 7 §6035. Tax credit for conversion of vehicles to alternative fuel usage 8 9 B. As used in this Section, the following words and phrases shall have the 10 meaning ascribed to them in this Subsection unless the context clearly indicates 11 otherwise: 12 (1) "Alternative fuel" means a fuel which results in emissions of oxides of 13 nitrogen, volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, or particulates, or any 14 combination of these which are comparably lower than emissions from gasoline or 15 diesel and which meets or exceeds federal clean air standards, including but not 16 limited to compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas, biofuel, biodiesel, methanol, ethanol, and electricity. natural gas, liquified petroleum 17 18 gas, and any non-ethanol based advanced biofuel. 19

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**Abstract:** Narrows the definition of "alternative fuel" to natural gas, liquified petroleum gas, and other non-ethanol based biofuels.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes an income tax credit for the cost of certain equipment necessary to convert a motor vehicle to operate on an "alternative fuel".

<u>Present law</u> defines "alternative fuel" as a fuel which results in emissions of oxides of nitrogen, volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, or particulates, or any combination of these which are comparably lower than emissions from gasoline or diesel and which meets or exceeds federal clean air standards, including but not limited to compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas, biofuel, biodiesel, methanol, ethanol, and electricity.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the definition of "alternative fuel" to natural gas, liquified petroleum gas, and any non-ethanol based advanced biofuel.

(Amends R.S. 47:6035(B)(1))