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June 2014

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill 90

Relating to: creating an income and franchise tax credit for motor vehicles that use gasoline and ethanol mixtures as fuel and for fuel efficient hybrid motor vehicles.

By Senators Harsdorf, Kreitlow, Olsen and Schultz; cosponsored by Representatives Hahn, Rhoades, Gronemus, Lothian, Wood, Cullen, Mursau, Musser and Gunderson.

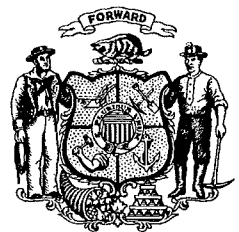
March 13, 2007 Referred to Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

March 13, 2008 Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

Elizabeth Bier
Committee Clerk



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



Bier, Beth

From: Rep.Sheridan
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2007 9:17 AM
To: *Legislative Assembly Democrats; *Legislative Senate Democrats
Subject: Hybrid vehicles and the Wisconsin auto industry

SB 90
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February 26, 2007

Dear Democratic Colleagues:

Most of you probably noticed the cosponsorship memo from Sen. Harsdorf last Friday. LRB-1207 is a good faith effort to reduce Wisconsin's dependence on oil, and Sen. Harsdorf should be commended for it. However, I do have a few concerns with the effect of her proposal on the Wisconsin auto industry.

First, it should be pointed out that the General Motors plant in Janesville and the Daimler-Chrysler engine plant in Kenosha are making vehicles and engines that run on E85 ethanol or normally formulated gasoline. They do not produce hybrid vehicles or components for hybrid vehicles.

While hybrid vehicles would certainly reduce our dependence on oil with higher fuel efficiency ratings, the definition of hybrids used in LRB-1207 would only benefit foreign auto manufacturers. At a time when the State of Wisconsin is working so hard to retain its two auto manufacturers, giving a tax credit for the purchase of vehicles made in other states (and even other countries) may send the wrong message.

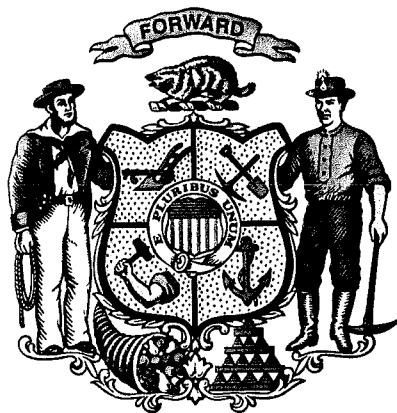
Even if the definition for hybrid vehicles under LRB-1207 was expanded to include American vehicles, the new definition would still cause problems for the Wisconsin auto industry. This is because General Motors produces three basic versions of the Chevrolet Tahoe: a normal version that runs on normal gasoline, a flex fuel capable version, and a hybrid version. The normal version and the flex fuel capable version are manufactured in Janesville, Wisconsin. The hybrid version is currently only manufactured in Arlington, Texas. While the hybrid Tahoe is a good vehicle, the money spent on the hybrid version leaves this state. The money spent on a flex fuel Tahoe stays in Wisconsin where it is taxed as income and sales tax several times before leaving the state.

I would ask that you keep these points in mind when considering proposals to promote hybrid vehicles. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mike

MICHAEL J. SHERIDAN
State Representative
44th Assembly District



SENATE BILL 90

1 July 31 this act first applies to taxable years beginning on January 1 of the year
2 following the year in which this subsection takes effect.
3 (END)

- would encourage the purchase or lease of hybrid & fuel efficient vehicles.
- mention ~~some~~ Rep. Shindler's concerns w/ the government's car production & not supporting state efforts
- how does it affect businesses & private fleets?