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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. INSLEE (for himself, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. HONDA, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. KLEIN of Florida, and Mr. GRIJALVA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science and Technology, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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electric vehicles, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Get Real Incentives  
5 to Drive Plug-in Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION.**

2 For purposes of this Act, the term “plug-in hybrid  
3 electric vehicle” means an on-road or nonroad vehicle that  
4 is propelled by an internal combustion engine or heat en-  
5 gine using—

6 (1) any combustible fuel;

7 (2) an on-board, rechargeable storage device;

8 and

9 (3) a means of using an off-board source of  
10 electricity.

11 **SEC. 3. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Transportation  
13 shall establish a program to make grants to owners of do-  
14 mestic motor vehicle manufacturing or production facili-  
15 ties for research and development on plug-in hybrid elec-  
16 tric vehicles.

17 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
18 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of  
19 Transportation for carrying out this section \$500,000,000  
20 for the period encompassing fiscal years 2008 through  
21 2012.

22 **SEC. 4. PILOT PROJECT.**

23 The Secretary of Transportation shall establish a  
24 pilot project to determine how best to integrate plug-in  
25 hybrid electric vehicles into the electric power grid and  
26 into the overall transportation infrastructure.

1 **SEC. 5. TEST SITE.**

2       The Secretary of Transportation shall establish a test  
3 site for the advancement of battery technologies for plug-  
4 in hybrid electric vehicles, to be modeled after the Depart-  
5 ment of Transportation’s NHTSA Vehicle Research and  
6 Test Center in Ohio.

7 **SEC. 6. PLAN.**

8       Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment  
9 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation, in collabora-  
10 tion with the Secretary of Energy, shall transmit to Con-  
11 gress a plan for the introduction and implementation of  
12 a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle support infrastructure.

13 **SEC. 7. PLUG-IN HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLE TAX CREDIT.**

14       (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 30B of the Internal Rev-  
15 enue Code of 1986 is amended by redesignating sub-  
16 sections (i) and (j) as subsections (j) and (k), respectively,  
17 and by inserting after subsection (h) the following new  
18 subsection:

19       “(i) NEW PLUG-IN HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLE CRED-  
20 IT.—

21               “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of subsection  
22 (a), the new plug-in hybrid motor vehicle credit de-  
23 termined under this subsection with respect to a new  
24 qualified plug-in hybrid motor vehicle placed in serv-  
25 ice by the taxpayer during the taxable year is  
26 \$3,000, if such vehicle is a new qualified plug-in hy-

1       brid motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating  
2       of not more than 8,500 pounds.

3               “(2) NEW QUALIFIED PLUG-IN HYBRID MOTOR  
4       VEHICLE.—For purposes of this subsection, the term  
5       ‘new qualified plug-in hybrid motor vehicle’ means a  
6       motor vehicle—

7               “(A) which is propelled by an internal  
8       combustion engine or heat engine using—

9                       “(i) any combustible fuel,

10                      “(ii) an on-board, rechargeable stor-  
11       age device, and

12                      “(iii) a means of using an off-board  
13       source of electricity,

14               “(B) which, in the case of a passenger  
15       automobile or light truck, has received on or  
16       after the date of the enactment of this section  
17       a certificate that such vehicle meets or exceeds  
18       the Bin 5 Tier II emission level established in  
19       regulations prescribed by the Administrator of  
20       the Environmental Protection Agency under  
21       section 202(i) of the Clean Air Act for that  
22       make and model year vehicle,

23               “(C) the original use of which commences  
24       with the taxpayer,

1           “(D) which is acquired for use or lease by  
2           the taxpayer and not for resale, and

3           “(E) which is made by a manufacturer.”.

4           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

5           (1) Section 30B(a) of the Internal Revenue  
6           Code of 1986 is amended by striking “and” at the  
7           end of paragraph (3), by striking the period at the  
8           end of paragraph (4) and inserting “, and”, and by  
9           adding at the end the following new paragraph:

10           “(5) the new plug-in hybrid motor vehicle credit  
11           determined under subsection (i).”.

12           (2) Section 30B(k)(2) of such Code, as redesignig-  
13           nated by subsection (a), is amended by striking “or”  
14           and inserting a comma and by inserting “, or a new  
15           qualified plug-in hybrid motor vehicle (as described  
16           in subsection (i)(2))” after “subsection (d)(2)(A))”.

17           (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
18           this section shall apply to property placed in service after  
19           the date of the enactment of this Act, in taxable years  
20           ending after such date.

21           **SEC. 8. REQUIREMENT REGARDING PURCHASE OF MOTOR**  
22                                   **VEHICLES BY EXECUTIVE AGENCIES.**

23           (a) IN GENERAL.—At least 10 percent of the motor  
24           vehicles purchased by an Executive agency in any fiscal  
25           year shall be comprised of plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

1 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) The term “Executive agency” has the  
3 meaning given that term in section 105 of title 5,  
4 United States Code, but also includes Amtrak, the  
5 Smithsonian Institution, and the United States  
6 Postal Service.

7 (2) The term “motor vehicle” has the meaning  
8 given that term in section 102(7) of title 40, United  
9 States Code.

10 (c) PRO-RATED APPLICABILITY IN YEAR OF ENACT-  
11 MENT.—In the fiscal year in which this Act is enacted,  
12 the requirement in subsection (a) shall only apply with re-  
13 spect to motor vehicles purchased after the date of the  
14 enactment of this Act in such fiscal year.

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