Utah Clean Air Legislation Passed in 2014 and 2015

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H.B. 19 Electric Vehicle Battery Charging Service Amendments (Rep. P. Arent) (Sen. R. Okerlund)

This bill amends Title 54, Public Utilities.

This bill:

provides that the definitions of "electrical corporation" and "public utility" do not include certain entities that sell electric vehicle battery charging services.

H.B. 31 Pollution Control Amendments (Rep. R. Wilcox) (Sen. D. Henderson)

This bill addresses provisions related to pollution control.

This bill:

- addresses definitions;
- repeals provisions related to pollution control;
- enacts the Pollution Control Act chapter, including:
 - defining terms;
 - · addressing a sales and use tax exemption related to pollution control;
 - · addressing the process for claiming a refund of sales and use taxes paid;
 - · addressing the certification process for purposes of the sales and use tax exemption;
 - · addressing the revocation of certification; and
 - · addressing rulemaking authority by the Air Quality Board or Water Quality Board; and
- makes technical and conforming changes.

2nd Sub. H.B. 38 Resource Stewardship Amendments (Rep. P. Arent) (Sen. R. Okerlund)

This bill creates a coordinator of resource stewardship.

This bill:

- defines terms;
- requires the Executive Director of the Department of Administrative Services to appoint a coordinator of resource stewardship to serve within the Department of Administrative Services;
- describes the duties of the coordinator of resource stewardship; and
- makes technical changes.

H.B. 61 Clean Air Programs (Rep. P. Arent) (Sen. R. Okerlund)

This bill modifies Title 19, Environmental Quality Code, by modifying the Clean Fuels and Vehicle Technology Program Act and enacting the Clean Air Retrofit, Replacement, and Off-road Technology Program.

This bill:

- defines terms:
- amends definitions;
- modifies the process for the Department of Environmental Quality to make a loan or grant from the Clean Fuels and Vehicle Technology Program, including:

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- · allowing electric-hybrids to be eligible for the program; and
- removing the state match requirements for a grant for refueling infrastructure;
- describes the requirements for receiving a grant from the Division of Air Quality;
- authorizes the Air Quality Board to make rules; and
- makes technical changes.

1st Sub. H.B. 74 Energy Efficient Vehicle Tax Credits (Rep. V. L. Snow) (Sen. J. S. Adams)

This bill addresses tax credits related to energy efficient vehicles.

This bill:

- addresses the amount of tax credit that may be claimed for the purchase of certain energy efficient vehicles; and
- makes technical and conforming changes.

H.B. 154 Wood Burning Amendments (Rep. P. Arent) (Sen. C. Bramble)

This bill deals with wood burning and air quality.

This bill:

- requires the Division of Air Quality to create a:
 - · public awareness campaign about the effects of wood burning on air quality; and
 - program to convert a dwelling in which the sole source of heat is a wood burning stove to a natural gas or other clean fuel heating source, as funding allows;
- authorizes the Division of Air Quality to pursue private and federal sources of funding, in addition to any funds appropriated by the Legislature, to implement the wood burning conversion program; and
- makes technical changes.

1st Sub. S.B. 99 State Vehicle Efficiency Requirements (Sen. S. Jenkins) (Rep. G. Froerer)

This bill requires the Division of Fleet Operations to ensure that 50% or more of state vehicles that are motor vehicles used for the transportation of passengers are alternative fuel or high efficiency motor vehicles.

This bill:

- requires the Division of Fleet Operations to ensure that 50% or more of state vehicles that are motor vehicles used for the transportation of passengers are alternative fuel or high efficiency; and
- makes technical corrections.

1st Sub. S.B. 196 Medical Waste Incineration Prohibition (Sen. T. Weiler) (Rep. R. Edwards)

This bill deals with the incineration of infectious waste and chemotherapeutic agents.

This bill:

- prohibits the Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste from approving an operation plan or issuing a permit to a facility that:
 - · incinerates infectious waste or chemotherapeutic agents within a two-mile radius of a residential area; and
 - · is not in operation as of May 13, 2014; and
- makes technical changes.

1st Sub. H.B. 15 Clean Fuel Amendments and Rebates (Rep. S. Handy) (Sen. T. Weiler)

This bill creates the Conversion to Alternative Fuel Grant Program and extends tax credits for energy efficient vehicles.

This bill:

- defines terms;
- amends definitions;
- authorizes the Department of Environmental Quality to make grants from the Clean Fuels and Vehicle Technology Fund to a person who installs conversion equipment on an eligible vehicle;
- describes the process for a person to apply for a grant to install conversion equipment on an eligible vehicle;
- describes the amount of grant money the director of the Division of Air Quality may award to a person who installs conversion equipment on an eligible vehicle;
- grants rulemaking authority to the Air Quality Board;
- extends tax credits for energy efficient vehicles; and
- makes technical changes.

1st Sub. H.B. 17 Motor Vehicle Emissions (Rep. L. Perry) (Sen. C. Bramble)

This bill modifies provisions relating to motor vehicle emissions.

This bill:

- amends the visible contaminant emission standards for certain diesel engines;
- ▶ amends the penalty for violating the motor vehicle visible emissions limits; and
- makes technical corrections.

2nd Sub. H.B. 110 Motor Vehicle Emissions Amendments (Rep. P. Arent) (Sen. T. Weiler)

This bill modifies provisions related to motor vehicle emissions.

This bill:

gives the Division of Motor Vehicles the authority to suspend a vehicle's registration if the vehicle does not meet air emissions standards.

H.B. 226 Air Quality Revisions (Rep. R. Edwards) (Sen. T. Weiler)

This bill modifies the rulemaking authority of the Division of Air Quality.

This bill:

- authorizes the Division of Air Quality to create rules that are different than corresponding federal regulations if additional regulations will provide added protections to public health and the environment; and
- makes technical changes.

1st Sub. H.B. 406 Natural Gas Vehicle Amendments (Rep. S. Handy) (Sen. T. Weiler)

This bill addresses provisions relating to natural gas vehicles.

This bill:

- provides an income tax credit for the purchase of a natural gas heavy duty vehicle;
- provides requirements for the tax credit and an aggregate limit on tax credits;

- authorizes the Air Quality Board to make rules relating to administration of the tax credit program;
- modifies a provision relating to the taxation of natural gas used in vehicles; and
- provides for the repeal of the tax credit provisions.

H.B. 410 State and Local Energy Efficiency Programs (Rep. J. Draxler) (Sen. K. Van Tassell)

This bill addresses state and local energy efficiency programs.

This bill:

- modifies and renames the Facility Energy Efficiency Act;
- modifies provisions relating to the State Building Energy Efficiency Program; and
- modifies state and local provisions relating to energy efficiency programs.

S.B. 156 Energy Efficient Vehicle Tax Credit for Motorcycles (Sen. M. Dayton) (Rep. K. Grover)

This bill enacts an energy efficient vehicle tax credit for certain motorcycles.

This bill:

- defines terms;
- enacts an energy efficient vehicle tax credit for certain motorcycles; and
- makes technical and conforming changes.

3rd Sub. S.B. 216 High Cost Infrastructure Tax Credits (Sen. R. Okerlund) (Rep. J. Cox)

This bill modifies provisions related to tax credits for infrastructure development projects.

This bill:

- directs the Office of Energy Development to issue a tax credit certificate to an entity developing a high cost infrastructure project under certain circumstances; and
- provides tax credit eligibility criteria for an entity developing a high cost infrastructure project.