	CLEAN FUEL SCHOOL BUSES AND INFRASTRUCTURE
	2015 GENERAL SESSION
	STATE OF UTAH
	Chief Sponsor: Stephen G. Handy
	Senate Sponsor:
LO	NG TITLE
Gei	neral Description:
	This bill provides grants to replace school buses and to create infrastructure for
alte	rnative fuel vehicles.
Hig	shlighted Provisions:
	This bill:
	 allows the State Board of Education to award a grant to a school district or charter
sch	ool to:
	• replace a school bus manufactured before 2002 with a new school bus that uses
CN	G, propane, or clean diesel fuel;
	• install an alternative fuel fueling station for a school bus that uses alternative
fuel	and that may be accessed by a governmental entity or the public to fuel an
alte	rnative fuel vehicle; or
	• retrofit a bus shop to service and maintain a school bus that uses alternative
fuel	i;
	 requires the State Board of Education to make rules related to the awarding of a
graı	nt, including rules that:
	• specify criteria for selecting a grant recipient; and
	• require a grant recipient to provide funding matches in an amount that is greater
thar	n or equal to the amount of a grant received; and
	 requires the State Board of Education to:

H.B. 49

	• facilitate training for bus drivers and bus shop technicians on the operation and
n	naintenance of a school bus that uses alternative fuel; and
	• make a report to the Legislature.
N	Aoney Appropriated in this Bill:
	This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2016:
	 to the State Board of Education - Utah State Office of Education - Initiative
Р	Programs as a one-time appropriation:
	• from the Education Fund, One-time, \$20,000,000.
C	Other Special Clauses:
	This bill provides a special effective date.
ι	Jtah Code Sections Affected:
E	ENACTS:
	53A-17a-127.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953
=	
В	<i>Se it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:</i>
	Section 1. Section 53A-17a-127.5 is enacted to read:
	53A-17a-127.5. Grants for school buses and alternative fuel infrastructure.
	(1) As used in this section:
	(a) "Alternative fuel" means CNG or propane.
	(b) "Board" means the State Board of Education.
	(c) "Clean diesel fuel" means diesel fuel with a sulfur content of no more than 15 parts
<u>p</u>	per million (ppm).
	(d) "CNG" means compressed natural gas.
	(2) The board may award a grant to a school district or charter school to:
	(a) replace a school bus manufactured before 2002 with a new school bus that uses
<u>C</u>	CNG, propane, or clean diesel fuel;
	(b) install an alternative fuel fueling station:
	(i) for a school bus that uses alternative fuel; and
	(ii) that may be accessed by a governmental entity or the public to fuel an alternative
fi	uel vehicle; or
	(c) retrofit a bus shop to service and maintain a school bus that uses alternative fuel.

12-18-14 10:07 AM

59	(3) The board shall make rules:
60	(a) establishing procedures for applying for and awarding a grant;
61	(b) specifying criteria for selecting a grant recipient;
62	(c) requiring reporting of grant money expenditures and evidence that a new school bus
63	purchased with grant money has replaced a school bus manufactured before 2002; and
64	(d) requiring a grant recipient to provide matching funds in an amount that is greater
65	than or equal to the amount of a grant received under this section.
66	(4) The board shall appoint a committee that includes representatives of school
67	districts, charter schools, and the board to review grant applications and make
68	recommendations to the board for the award of grants that meet the requirements of this section
69	and rules adopted under Subsection (3).
70	(5) Through the state superintendent of public instruction, the board shall facilitate
71	training for bus drivers and bus shop technicians on the operation and maintenance of a school
72	bus that uses alternative fuel.
73	(6) On or before November 1, 2015, the board shall submit a report to the Public
74	Education Appropriations Subcommittee that:
75	(a) describes the grants awarded under this section; and
76	(b) includes recommendations regarding continuation of the grant program.
77	Section 2. Appropriation.
78	Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, for
79	the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following sums of money
80	are appropriated from resources not otherwise appropriated, or reduced from amounts
81	previously appropriated, out of the funds or accounts indicated. These sums of money are in
82	addition to any amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2016.
83	To State Board of Education - Utah State Office of Education - Initiative Programs
84	From Education Fund, One-time \$20,000,000
85	Schedule of Programs:
86	Contracts and Grants - Clean Fuel School
87	Buses and Infrastructure \$20,000,000
88	The Legislature intends that of the \$20,000,000 appropriated for the Contracts and
89	Grants - Clean Fuel School Buses and Infrastructure Program, the State Board of Education

H.B. 49

H.B. 49

90 <u>may expend:</u>

- 91 (1) up to \$13,000,000 for grants for new school buses pursuant to Section
- 92 <u>53A-17a-127.5; and</u>
- 93 (2) up to \$7,000,000 for grants for alternative fuel fueling stations and bus shop
- 94 retrofits pursuant to Section 53A-17a-127.5.
- 95 Section 3. Effective date.
- 96 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), this bill takes effect on May 12, 2015.
- 97 (2) Section 2, Appropriation, takes effect on July 1, 2015.

Legislative Review Note as of 7-16-14 8:53 AM

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel