



States' Biofuels Statutes

STATE OF OHIO

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3704.144 School buses; pollution control equipment grants

(A) Gifts, grants, and contributions for the purpose of adding pollution control equipment to diesel-powered school buses and converting diesel-powered school buses to alternative fuels, including contributions that are made pursuant to the settlement of an administrative action or civil action that is brought at the request of the director of environmental protection pursuant to Chapter 3704., 3714., 3734., 6109., or 6111. of the Revised Code, shall be credited to the clean diesel school bus fund, which is hereby created in the state treasury. The director shall use money credited to the fund to make grants to school districts in the state and to county boards of developmental disabilities for the purpose of adding pollution control equipment to diesel-powered school buses and converting diesel-powered school buses to alternative fuels by means of certified engine configurations and verified technologies that are consistent with the requirements of section 793 and any regulations adopted under that section and to pay the environmental protection agency's costs incurred in administering this section. In addition, the director may use money credited to the fund to make grants to school districts and to county boards of developmental disabilities for the purpose of maintaining pollution control equipment that is installed on diesel-powered school buses.

(B) In making grants under this section, the director shall give priority to school districts and to county boards of developmental disabilities that are located in a county that is designated as nonattainment by the United States environmental protection agency for the fine particulate national ambient air quality standard under the federal Clean Air Act. In addition, the director may give a higher priority to a school district or a county board of developmental disabilities that employs additional measures that reduce air pollution from the district's or the county board's school bus fleet.

(C) The director shall adopt rules establishing procedures and requirements that are necessary to implement this section, including procedures and requirements governing applications for grants.

(D) As used in this section:

(1) "Alternative fuel" has the same meaning as in section 125.831 of the Revised Code.

(2) “Certified engine configuration” and “section 793” have the same meanings as in section 122.861 of the Revised Code.

(3) “Verified technology” means a pollution control technology, including retrofit technology and auxiliary power unit, that has been verified by the administrator of the United States environmental protection agency or the California air resources board.

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