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1 AN ACT Relating to plug-in hybrid electric vehicles; amending RCW  
2 43.19.570; reenacting and amending RCW 43.19.1905; and adding a new  
3 section to chapter 43.19 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.19.1905 and 2002 c 299 s 5 and 2002 c 285 s 1 are  
6 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 The director of general administration shall establish overall  
8 state policy for compliance by all state agencies, including  
9 educational institutions, regarding the following purchasing and  
10 material control functions:

11 (1) Development of a state commodity coding system, including  
12 common stock numbers for items maintained in stores for reissue;

13 (2) Determination where consolidations, closures, or additions of  
14 stores operated by state agencies and educational institutions should  
15 be initiated;

16 (3) Institution of standard criteria for determination of when and  
17 where an item in the state supply system should be stocked;

18 (4) Establishment of stock levels to be maintained in state stores,  
19 and formulation of standards for replenishment of stock;

1 (5) Formulation of an overall distribution and redistribution  
2 system for stock items which establishes sources of supply support for  
3 all agencies, including interagency supply support;

4 (6) Determination of what function data processing equipment,  
5 including remote terminals, shall perform in statewide purchasing and  
6 material control for improvement of service and promotion of economy;

7 (7) Standardization of records and forms used statewide for supply  
8 system activities involving purchasing, receiving, inspecting, storing,  
9 requisitioning, and issuing functions, including a standard  
10 notification form for state agencies to report cost-effective direct  
11 purchases, which shall at least identify the price of the goods as  
12 available through the division of purchasing, the price of the goods as  
13 available from the alternative source, the total savings, and the  
14 signature of the notifying agency's director or the director's  
15 designee;

16 (8) Screening of supplies, material, and equipment excess to the  
17 requirements of one agency for overall state need before sale as  
18 surplus;

19 (9) Establishment of warehouse operation and storage standards to  
20 achieve uniform, effective, and economical stores operations;

21 (10) Establishment of time limit standards for the issuing of  
22 material in store and for processing requisitions requiring purchase;

23 (11) Formulation of criteria for determining when centralized  
24 rather than decentralized purchasing shall be used to obtain maximum  
25 benefit of volume buying of identical or similar items, including  
26 procurement from federal supply sources;

27 (12) Development of criteria for use of leased, rather than state  
28 owned, warehouse space based on relative cost and accessibility;

29 (13) Institution of standard criteria for purchase and placement of  
30 state furnished materials, carpeting, furniture, fixtures, and nonfixed  
31 equipment, in newly constructed or renovated state buildings;

32 (14) Determination of how transportation costs incurred by the  
33 state for materials, supplies, services, and equipment can be reduced  
34 by improved freight and traffic coordination and control;

35 (15) Establishment of a formal certification program for state  
36 employees who are authorized to perform purchasing functions as agents  
37 for the state under the provisions of chapter 43.19 RCW;

1 (16) Development of performance measures for the reduction of total  
2 overall expense for material, supplies, equipment, and services used  
3 each biennium by the state;

4 (17) Establishment of a standard system for all state organizations  
5 to record and report dollar savings and cost avoidance which are  
6 attributable to the establishment and implementation of improved  
7 purchasing and material control procedures;

8 (18) Development of procedures for mutual and voluntary cooperation  
9 between state agencies, including educational institutions, and  
10 political subdivisions for exchange of purchasing and material control  
11 services;

12 (19) Resolution of all other purchasing and material matters which  
13 require the establishment of overall statewide policy for effective and  
14 economical supply management;

15 (20) Development of guidelines and criteria for the purchase of  
16 vehicles, high gas mileage vehicles, alternate vehicle fuels, plug-in  
17 hybrid electric vehicles and systems, equipment, and materials that  
18 reduce overall energy-related costs and energy use by the state,  
19 including investigations into all opportunities to aggregate the  
20 purchasing of clean technologies, including plug-in hybrid electric  
21 vehicles, by state and local governments, and including the requirement  
22 that new passenger vehicles purchased by the state meet the minimum  
23 standards for passenger automobile fuel economy established by the  
24 United States secretary of transportation pursuant to the energy policy  
25 and conservation act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 2002);

26 (21) Development of goals for state use of recycled or  
27 environmentally preferable products through specifications for products  
28 and services, processes for requests for proposals and requests for  
29 qualifications, contractor selection, and contract negotiations.

30 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.19.570 and 2002 c 285 s 2 are each amended to read  
31 as follows:

32 (1) The department shall direct and be responsible for the  
33 acquisition, operation, maintenance, storage, repair, and replacement  
34 of state motor vehicles under its control. The department shall  
35 utilize state facilities available for the maintenance, repair, and  
36 storage of such motor vehicles, and may provide directly or by contract

1 for the maintenance, repair, and servicing of all motor vehicles, and  
2 other property related thereto and under its control.

3 (2) The department may arrange, by agreement with agencies, for the  
4 utilization by one of the storage, repair, or maintenance facilities of  
5 another, with such provision for charges and credits as may be agreed  
6 upon. The department may acquire and maintain storage, repair, and  
7 maintenance facilities for the motor vehicles under its control from  
8 such funds as may be appropriated by the legislature.

9 (3)(a) The legislature finds that a clean environment is important  
10 and that global warming effects may be offset by decreasing the  
11 emissions of harmful compounds from motor vehicles. The legislature  
12 further finds that the state is in a position to set an example of  
13 large scale use of alternative fuels in motor vehicles and other clean  
14 technologies, including the use of plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

15 (b) The department shall consider the use of state vehicles to  
16 conduct field tests on alternative fuels in areas where air pollution  
17 constraints may be eased by these optional fuels. These fuels should  
18 include but are not limited to gas-powered and electric-powered  
19 vehicles.

20 (c) For planned purchases of vehicles using alternative fuels or  
21 plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, the department and other state  
22 agencies shall explore opportunities to purchase these vehicles  
23 together with the federal government, agencies of other states, other  
24 Washington state agencies, local governments, or private organizations  
25 for less cost. All state agencies must investigate and determine  
26 whether or not they can make clean technologies, including plug-in  
27 hybrid electric vehicles, more cost-effective by combining their  
28 purchasing power before completing a planned vehicle purchase.

29 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 43.19 RCW  
30 to read as follows:

31 (1) The department must solicit the purchase of one hundred plug-in  
32 hybrid electric vehicles for use in the state motor pool by November  
33 30, 2010.

34 (2) For purposes of this section and RCW 43.19.1905 and 43.19.570,  
35 "plug-in hybrid electric vehicle" is a hybrid vehicle that:

36 (a) Can run for several miles on battery power alone; and

1           (b) Can be plugged in to the electric grid in order to recharge its  
2 batteries.

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