

HOUSE BILL No. 5291

November 13, 2003, Introduced by Rep. Kolb and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to establish a pilot program to encourage alternative methods of transportation; and to prescribe certain duties of the state transportation department.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "alternative transportation encouragement act".

3 Sec. 2. The state transportation department shall establish
4 a pilot alternative transportation program that has participating
5 households that live within a 50-mile radius of the city limits
6 of the city of Detroit and an additional pilot alternative
7 transportation program that has participating households within a
8 50-mile radius of the city limits of the city of Grand Rapids.
9 The pilot programs shall contain the elements listed in section
10 3.

11 Sec. 3. The state transportation department shall establish

1 pilot alternative transportation programs that implement all of
2 the following:

3 (a) Each program shall accept as participants no more than 20
4 households that have extra cars, and the selection of
5 participants by the state transportation department shall be
6 final.

7 (b) Each program shall last for 12 weeks.

8 (c) Each participating household shall receive \$25.00 for
9 each week that the participating household provides baseline
10 information but does not give up the use of their extra car.

11 (d) Each participating household shall receive \$75.00 per
12 week for each week that the household participates in the program
13 and gives up the use of their extra car.

14 (e) Each participating household shall keep a travel diary
15 for the first 2 weeks of the program that gives the state
16 transportation department baseline information about the travel
17 habits of the participating household.

18 (f) Each participating household shall agree to park their
19 extra car for the final 10 weeks of the 12-week program.

20 (g) Each participating household shall keep a daily diary of
21 their travel behavior for the final 10 weeks of the program,
22 including an estimate of the cost of that travel behavior.

23 (h) The state transportation department shall determine the
24 required content of the travel diary and shall collect and
25 analyze the results of the pilot program.

26 (i) The state transportation department shall check the
27 odometers of the extra cars after the first 2 weeks of the

1 program and at the conclusion of the program.

2 (j) The state transportation department shall provide each
3 participating household with information about alternative
4 transportation in the area.

5 (k) The state transportation department shall do whatever is
6 necessary and proper to implement the pilot alternative
7 transportation programs.

8 Sec. 4. The state transportation department shall provide
9 the legislature with a report detailing the results of the pilot
10 alternative transportation programs within 6 months of the
11 conclusion of the pilot alternative transportation programs.

12 Sec. 5. The pilot alternative transportation programs
13 required under this act shall begin no later than 1 year after
14 the effective date of this act.