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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**EIGHTY-FIFTH  
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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to transportation; appropriating money for projects relating to plug-in  
1.3 hybrid electric vehicles and neighborhood electric vehicles.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE TASK FORCE;**  
1.6 **APPROPRIATION.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. Definitions. (a) The terms in this section have the meanings given  
1.8 in this subdivision.

1.9 (b) "Plug-in hybrid electric vehicle" or "PHEV" has the meaning given in Laws  
1.10 2006, chapter 245.

1.11 (c) "Neighborhood electric vehicle" has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes,  
1.12 section 169.01, subdivision 91.

1.13 Subd. 2. Appropriation. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.779,  
1.14 \$1,355,000 is appropriated from the renewable development account for fiscal year 2008  
1.15 to the Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle Task Force established under Laws 2006, chapter  
1.16 245. The money must be used for the following purposes:

1.17 (1) \$985,000 is for development, demonstration, and assessment of PHEV's and  
1.18 neighborhood electric vehicles, including:

1.19 (i) development of measurement and analysis standards;

1.20 (ii) technology assessment and development of infrastructure for incorporation  
1.21 into state-owned fleets;

1.22 (iii) design, development, installation, and testing of components to expand the  
1.23 reliability and functionality of neighborhood electric vehicles; and

- 2.1 (iv) competitive grants for demonstration projects on PHEV's or other energy  
2.2 efficient vehicle technologies; and
- 2.3 (2) \$350,000 is for a study of PHEV commercialization and environmentally  
2.4 sensitive manufacturing opportunities, including:
- 2.5 (i) assessment of market potential, identification of potential users, and identification  
2.6 of vehicle functions;
- 2.7 (ii) identification of potential growth areas for alternative and renewable energy  
2.8 technology and manufacturing;
- 2.9 (iii) feasibility study and market assessment of locating manufacturing or assembly  
2.10 businesses at sites in Minnesota;
- 2.11 (iv) identification of barriers and incentives for businesses; and  
2.12 (v) estimation of costs of converting existing manufacturing plants.
- 2.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2007.