

Senate Bill No. 1455

CHAPTER 337

An act to add Section 25227 to the Public Resources Code, relating to electric vehicles.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1455, Kehoe. Plug-in hybrid and electric vehicles: Internet Web site.

Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, as defined. Under existing law, the governing board of a local publicly owned electric utility, as defined, generally has authority over the activities of the utility.

Existing law requires the PUC, in consultation with specified entities, to evaluate policies to develop infrastructure sufficient to overcome any barriers to the widespread deployment and use of plug-in hybrid and electric vehicles and, by July 1, 2011, to adopt rules that address related matters.

Existing law establishes the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program, administered by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission), to provide to specified entities, upon appropriation by the Legislature, grants, loans, loan guarantees, revolving loans, or other appropriate measures, for the development and deployment of innovative technologies that transform California's fuel and vehicle types to help attain the state's climate change goals.

This bill would require the Energy Commission, by July 1, 2011, in consultation with the PUC, to develop and maintain an Internet Web site containing specific links to electrical corporation or local publicly owned electric utility Internet Web sites that contain information specific to plug-in hybrid or fully electric vehicles, or other Internet Web sites that include specified information.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 25227 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

25227. By July 1, 2011, the commission, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, shall develop and maintain an Internet Web site containing specific links to electrical corporation and local publicly owned electric utility Internet Web sites or other Internet Web sites that contain

information specific to plug-in hybrid or fully electric vehicles, including information on the following:

- (a) Resources to direct a consumer on how to find out if his or her residence will require a utility service upgrade.
- (b) Basic charging circuit requirements.
- (c) Utility rate options.
- (d) Load management techniques.