

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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S.P. 95

In Senate, January 18, 2005

### **An Act To Promote Energy Conservation and a Cleaner Environment**

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Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joy J. O'Brien".

JOY J. O'BRIEN  
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator COURTNEY of York.

Cosponsored by Senator STRIMLING of Cumberland, Representative BLISS of South Portland and

Senators: NASS of York, PERRY of Penobscot, WOODCOCK of Franklin, Representatives: BIERMAN of Sorrento, COLLINS of Wells, FLETCHER of Winslow, TUTTLE of Sanford, WHEELER of Kittery.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

4 **Sec. 1. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§79,** as enacted by PL 1997, c. 791,  
Pt. A, §2, is repealed.

6 **Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §1760, sub-§79-A** is enacted to read:

8 **79-A. Exemption for clean fuel vehicles.** The amount of the  
10 **sale or lease price of a hybrid gasoline-electric vehicle or a**  
**fuel-cell or hydrogen-fueled vehicle.**

12 **SUMMARY**

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16 Current law provides a sales tax exemption for a clean fuel  
vehicle, defined as a vehicle that may be propelled by a clean  
18 fuel or a fuel-cell electric vehicle that uses any fuel, but only  
up to the amount that the clean fuel vehicle price exceeds the  
price of a gasoline-fueled or diesel-fueled internal combustion  
20 vehicle.

22 This bill exempts from the sales tax 100% of the sale or  
lease price of a hybrid gasoline-electric vehicle or a fuel-cell  
24 or hydrogen-fueled vehicle.