

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4889

To amend title 23, United States Code, to require States to dedicate 5 percent of certain funds to projects that reduce emission to public safety vehicles, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 18, 2014

Mr. COHEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

To amend title 23, United States Code, to require States to dedicate 5 percent of certain funds to projects that reduce emission to public safety vehicles, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Clean and Efficient
5 Public Safety Vehicles Act of 2014”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Public safety is a critically important activ-
2 ity.

3 (2) The unique nature of public safety vehicles
4 requires the on-board systems of the vehicles to con-
5 tinually operate for communications, health, and
6 public safety reasons.

7 (3) The fleets of municipal fire, rescue, police,
8 and safety vehicles require significant fuel use.

9 (4) State and local governments strive to reduce
10 operating costs, and to lead by example on emissions
11 policy.

12 (5) Congress, through the congestion mitigation
13 and air quality improvement program, has long rec-
14 ognized the importance of partnering with States
15 and municipalities in addressing emissions reduction.

16 (6) The private sector has developed a range of
17 technologies matched to light and medium duty pub-
18 lic safety vehicles that have not yet been evaluated
19 by the Environmental Protection Agency under its
20 current SmartWay technology verification program.

21 **SEC. 3. SPECIAL RULE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLES.**

22 Section 149(c) of title 23, United States Code, is
23 amended by adding at the end the following:

24 “(4) PUBLIC SAFETY VEHICLES.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A State shall obligate
2 5 percent of the funds apportioned to the State
3 for a fiscal year under section 104(b)(4) for
4 projects to implement, develop, or deploy cost-
5 effective technologies that reduce emissions of
6 pollutants from publicly owned or leased vehi-
7 cles used to provide public safety services, in-
8 cluding firefighting vehicles, ambulances, law
9 enforcement vehicles, and other emergency re-
10 sponse vehicles.

11 “(B) TECHNOLOGY.—Projects carried out
12 under subparagraph (A) shall not be limited to
13 using technology developed or recommended by
14 the SmartWay program of the Environmental
15 Protection Agency or any successor program.”.

○