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S 1038. MOBILE SOURCE EMISSIONS REDUCTION PROGRAM. TO IMPROVE AIR QUALITY BY CREATING A MOBILE SOURCE EMISSIONS REDUCTION PROGRAM FUND THROUGH AN EMISSIONS-BASED SURCHARGE ON VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES. Adds new Part 4 to Article 36 of GS Chapter 143 establishing Mobile Source Emissions Reduction Program in Dep't of Administration. Program to provide (1) grants for payments to first owner of alternative fuel vehicles and hybrid vehicles; (2) payments to owners of alternative fuel vehicles to offset higher State taxes on alternative fuel; (3) alternative fuel infrastructure projects; (4) truck stop electrification projects; and (5) payments for installation of particulate traps and oxidation catalysts on diesel vehicles. Provides that Program is funded by a surcharge on registration fees of motor vehicles and sets out surcharge rates. Requires Division of Motor Vehicles to provide State Energy Office quarterly reports on all registered motor vehicles identified by fuel type and requires State Energy Office to make annual report to Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee on expenditure of funds under Part and on the number of alternative fuel and hybrid vehicles registered in NC. Funding provision becomes effective July 1, 2005, and applies to registrations due on or after that date. Remainder of bill effective when it becomes law. Sunsets July 1, 2015.

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