

S.F. No. 219 – Modifications to electric-assisted bicycle rebate program; requiring a report

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Section 1. Commissioner to issue rebate certificates. Requires the commissioner of revenue to allocate electric-assisted bicycle rebate certificates on a lottery basis beginning July 1, 2025, instead of first-come, first-served basis. Effective the day following final enactment and applies to rebates issued on or after that date.

Section 2. Report; electric-assisted bicycle rebate program. Requires the commissioner of revenue to submit a report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over taxes and transportation by July 15, 2026, which must include, at minimum:

- a comprehensive report on the operation of the electric-assisted bicycle rebate program enacted in 2023, including the application system;
- a comprehensive analysis of technical challenges resulting from a high volume of applicants;
- a timeline of events that led to system failures in the application process;
- identification of technical or procedural challenges in the application and first-come, first-served allocation of rebate certificates;
- costs incurred by the Department of Revenue as a result of the electric-assisted bicycle rebate program, including expenditures on system fixes or additional staff resources;
- recommendation for addressing the specific failure in the application system and preventing similar issues in future rebate certificate rollouts;
- an evaluation of any third-party vendor or contractor used in developing and managing the application system, including applicable accountability measures; and
- the Department of Revenue's anticipated programming to institute a lottery system for allocating rebate certificates;

No funds from the amount allocated for electric-assisted bicycles certificates may be used for preparing the report. Effective at the earlier of December 31, 2026, or upon submission of the report.



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