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## PILOT ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

House Bill 6403  
Sponsor: Rep. Chris Kolb  
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### A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 6403 AS INTRODUCED 9-24-02

The bill would create a new act to require the Department of Transportation to establish a pilot alternative transportation program, which would provide a financial incentive for certain households to give up the use of one vehicle for a specific period of time.

The program would last for a total of 12 weeks and would involve up to 20 households in each of two sites: one involving households within a 50-mile radius of the city of Detroit, and one involving households within a 50-mile radius of the city of Grand Rapids. Each participating household would be required to maintain a travel diary for two weeks to provide baseline information to the department about its travel habits (while using more than one vehicle). Then, for the next ten weeks, each household would have to agree to give up the use of its extra car, and also keep a daily diary of its travel behavior. The department would have to check the odometer of the extra cars after the first two weeks of the program, and again at the end of the next 10 weeks.

For participating in the pilot program, each household would be paid \$25 for each of the first two weeks, and \$75 each week for the next ten weeks in which household members gave up the use of the extra vehicle.

The Department of Transportation would be required to select households for participation in the pilot program, determine the required content of the travel diary, and collect and analyze the results of the pilot program. It would also provide participating households with information about alternative transportation in the area, and report to the legislature on the results of the program within six months after its conclusion.

The alternative transportation pilot program would have to begin no later than one year after the bill's effective date.

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