ASSEMBLY BILL No. 1058

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An act to add Section 43018.5 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to air quality.

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Existing law requires the State Air Resources Board to endeavor to achieve the maximum degree of emission reduction possible from vehicular and other mobile sources in order to accomplish the attainment of the state standards at the earliest practicable date.

This bill would require the state board to develop and adopt, by January 1, 2003 2004, regulations that achieve the maximum feasible reduction of carbon dioxide emitted by passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks in the state, but would prohibit those regulations from taking effect prior to January 1, 2004 2005. The bill would also require the state board, by January 1, 2003 2004, to provide a report to the Legislature summarizing the contents of those regulations.
The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:
(a) Global warming is a matter of increasing concern for public health and the environment in the state.
(b) The control and reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases, of which carbon dioxide (CO₂) is the most significant, are critical to slow the effects of global warming.
(c) The transportation sector produces over one-half of the carbon dioxide emitted in the state.

SEC. 2. Section 43018.5 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

43018.5. (a) No later than January 1, 2003, the state board shall develop and adopt regulations that achieve the maximum feasible and cost-effective reduction of carbon dioxide emitted by passenger vehicles, light-duty trucks, and any other vehicle type whose primary use or purpose is non-commercial personal transportation, as determined by the state board.
(b) The regulations adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) may not take effect prior to January 1, 2004.
(c) In developing the regulations described in subdivision (a), the state board shall do all of the following:
(1) Consider the technological feasibility of the regulations.
(2) Consider the impact the regulations may have on the economy of the state.
(3) Provide, to the maximum extent feasible, flexibility in the means by which automobile manufacturers may meet the requirements of the regulations.
(d) By January 1, 2003, the state board shall report to the Legislature summarizing the content of the regulations developed and adopted pursuant to this section.