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### Section

**1 Exemptions (motor vehicle sales tax).** Provides a motor vehicle sales tax exemption for four years, from July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2007, for the following types of motor vehicles:

- ▶ Motor vehicles with a certified fuel efficiency of at least 45 miles per gallon on the highway and 35 miles per gallon in the city, regardless if purchased by a governmental entity, or a person for personal or business use;
- ▶ Motor vehicles powered solely from an alternative fuel source; and
- ▶ Motor vehicles powered partially from a rechargeable energy storage system and partially from regular fuel, an alternative fuel, or both.

Alternative fuels are defined by the U.S. Department of Energy and include: alcohol fuels (at least 70% alcohol by volume), natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas, hydrogen, coal-derived liquid fuel, fuels derived from biological products, and electricity, including solar power.