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Brief Description: Authorizing the use of high-occupancy vehicle lanes by low-emission vehicles.

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Authorizes the use of high-occupancy vehicle lanes by low-emission vehicles.

Directs the department of transportation to conduct a study on how any existing high-occupancy toll lane program or value pricing pilot program may be expanded to include vehicles whose combined city and highway average gasoline mileage is at least twice the national average for passenger cars, as that figure is determined by the United States environmental protection agency, if such vehicles were to receive a fee waiver or discount.

Requires the department to report its findings to the legislature by January 1, 2005, or at the conclusion of the department's study of high-occupancy toll lanes under the United States federal highway's value pricing pilot program, whichever occurs first.