

SENATE BILL 176

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By: **The President (By Request – Administration) and Senators Garagiola, Klausmeier, Astle, King, Madaleno, and Rosapepe**
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Assigned to: Finance and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council;
4 specifying the membership and staffing of the Council; requiring the Governor
5 to designate the chair or cochairs of the Council; requiring the Council to
6 perform certain duties and make certain recommendations; prohibiting
7 members of the Council from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing
8 the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Council to submit an
9 interim and a final report by certain dates; defining certain terms; providing for
10 the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Electric
11 Vehicle Infrastructure Council.

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That:

14 (a) In this section, “electric vehicle” or “EV” means any mode of electric drive
15 transportation.

16 (b) There is a Maryland Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council.

17 (c) The Council consists of the following members:

18 (1) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
19 President of the Senate;

20 (2) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
21 of the House;

22 (3) The Secretary of Transportation or the Secretary’s designee;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 (4) The Secretary of Planning or the Secretary's designee;
- 2 (5) The Secretary of the Environment or the Secretary's designee;
- 3 (6) The Secretary of Business and Economic Development or the
4 Secretary's designee;
- 5 (7) The Chairman of the Maryland Public Service Commission or the
6 Chairman's designee;
- 7 (8) The Director of the Maryland Energy Administration or the
8 Director's designee; and
- 9 (9) The following members appointed by the Governor:
- 10 (i) Two representatives of institutions of higher education in
11 the State with expertise in energy, transportation, or the environment;
- 12 (ii) Two representatives of the Maryland Association of
13 Counties;
- 14 (iii) Two representatives of the Maryland Municipal League;
- 15 (iv) One representative of the Baltimore Electric Vehicle
16 Initiative;
- 17 (v) Three representatives of electric companies in the State;
- 18 (vi) Two representatives of electric vehicle manufacturers or
19 dealers;
- 20 (vii) One member with expertise in electric vehicle charging
21 equipment;
- 22 (viii) One representative of fleet vehicle operators;
- 23 (ix) One representative of electrical workers;
- 24 (x) One representative of the environmental community;
- 25 (xi) One public member with expertise in energy or
26 transportation policy; and
- 27 (xii) Any additional members appointed by the Governor.
- 28 (d) The Governor shall designate the chair or cochairs of the Council;

1 (e) The Department of Transportation shall provide staff support to the
2 Council with the assistance of the Maryland Energy Administration and Maryland
3 Public Service Commission.

4 (f) A member of the Council:

5 (1) May not receive compensation as a member of the Council; but

6 (2) Is entitled to reimbursement of expenses under the Standard State
7 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

8 (g) The Council shall:

9 (1) Develop an action plan to facilitate the rapid and seamless
10 integration of electric vehicles into the State's transportation network;

11 (2) Assist in developing and coordinating statewide standards for
12 streamlined permitting and installation of residential and commercial EV charging
13 stations and supply equipment;

14 (3) Develop a statewide metering and charging infrastructure plan,
15 including placement opportunities for public charging stations;

16 (4) Increase consumer awareness and demand for electric vehicles
17 through public outreach;

18 (5) Make recommendations regarding monetary and nonmonetary
19 incentives to support electric vehicle ownership and maximize private sector
20 investment in electric vehicles;

21 (6) Develop targeted policies to support fleet purchases of electric
22 vehicles;

23 (7) Develop charging solutions for existing and future multidwelling
24 units;

25 (8) Encourage local and regional efforts to promote the use of electric
26 vehicles and attract federal funding for State and local EV programs;

27 (9) Investigate how EV charging will impact electricity demand and
28 develop strategies to increase off-peak charging and EV charging from clean energy
29 sources;

30 (10) Establish performance measures for meeting EV-related
31 employment, infrastructure, and regulatory goals; and

32 (11) Pursue other goals and objectives that promote the utilization of
33 electric vehicles in the State.

1 (h) (1) On or before January 1, 2012, the Council shall submit an interim
2 report of its work and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of
3 the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

4 (2) On or before December 1, 2012, the Council shall submit a final
5 report of its work and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of
6 the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 July 1, 2011. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30,
9 2013, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
10 abrogated and of no further force and effect.