

# SENATE BILL 998

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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Senator Hershey**

Introduced and read first time: February 21, 2019

Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Service Commission – Electric Vehicle Infrastructure – Prior**  
3 **Authorization**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Public Service Commission from establishing or  
5 continuing a certain pilot program for electric vehicle charging station infrastructure  
6 unless the General Assembly enacts a law authorizing the program; establishing the  
7 intent of the General Assembly that any law related to electric vehicle charging  
8 station infrastructure take into account the use of certain trust funds; making this  
9 Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to electric vehicles.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Public Utilities

12 Section 7–216

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
16 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article – Public Utilities**

18 **7–216.**

19 **(A) THE COMMISSION MAY NOT ESTABLISH OR CONTINUE A PILOT**  
20 **PROGRAM RELATED TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION INFRASTRUCTURE**  
21 **SUBSIDIZED BY RATEPAYERS THROUGH A RATE-BASED OR SURCHARGE RIDER COST**  
22 **RECOVERY METHOD UNLESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ENACTS A LAW TO**  
23 **AUTHORIZE THE PILOT PROGRAM.**

24 **(B) IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT ANY LAW RELATED**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION INFRASTRUCTURE TAKE INTO ACCOUNT**  
2 **THE TRUST FUND RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR LIGHT-DUTY, ZERO-EMISSION**  
3 **VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT FROM THE VOLKSWAGEN PARTIAL CONSENT**  
4 **DECREE IN APPENDIX D-2, ITEM 9.**

5       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency  
6 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has  
7 been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to  
8 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is  
9 enacted.