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## TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT WITH AMMENDMENT SB 465 COMMON OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES-ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT ACT OF 2024 - February 14, 2024

To: Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee

From: Tom Clark, Political Director, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers 26

Mr. Chair, Mr. Vice Chair, and members of the Committee. I appreciate this forward-thinking piece of legislation that addresses Electrical Vehicle Chargers in Common Ownership Communities. It takes clean energy equipment to the “front porch” of everyday Marylanders. My amendment is only to include a standard training program for those installing these electric Vehicle Chargers. I respectfully ask that you join me in **support of SB 465 with amendment.**

When SB 465 speaks on Installation, I would like to add to **(II) 2. Page 3 Line 23**, so the bill would read:

2. ENGAGE A LICENSED CONTRACTOR TO INSTALL THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE RECHARGING EQUIPMENT; ***Installation of Electrical Vehicle Charging Stations Must Be Performed By Certified Electrical Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP) Installers***  
; AND.....

EVITP or Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program is the accepted certification of manufacturers, the automotive industry and end users throughout the country. Installers must pass a certification exam for proof of knowledge and skill. EVITP is brand neutral, non-profit program taught at Industry Training Centers and Community Colleges in diverse communities, both urban and rural. As we are relatively at the beginning electric vehicle charging world, let’s set some minimal standards, for the good of the state. Please check the following link, for more information: <https://evitp.org/>

I appreciate this Bill and the sponsor for looking out for the everyday Marylander, as we convert to electric vehicles, and we convert our community infrastructure to meet these needs. So please join me in **support of SB 465** with this one **amendment.** Thank you!

