

# HOUSE BILL 167

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By: **The Speaker (By Request – Administration) and Delegates Stein and Cardin**

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters and Economic Matters

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## 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;

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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.