

HB 784 — Residential Construction - Electric Vehicle Charging
Position: **Favorable**

February 12, 2021

The Honorable Kumar P. Barve
Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee
House Office Building, Room 251
6 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chairman Barve and Members of the Committee:

Electric vehicle drivers normally plug in their car each night at home. In the morning the electric car is fully charged. If you can't charge at home, you essentially can't drive a plug-in electric car.

The home charging station will gradually replace the neighborhood gas station as electric vehicles become more common. To get a head start on this future, new home construction should be encouraged to be "EV-Ready."

We must educate and encourage installing EV charging stations in homes in order to help Maryland reach its goal of 300,000 Zero Emission Vehicles on the road by 2030. This legislation will help Maryland achieve that goal.

Electric vehicle charging stations will be a common appliance in most homes in the future. This bill helps ease the transition to that future and make it more affordable in the long-term.

I respectfully ask for a **favorable report** on HB 784.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lanny Hartmann". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lanny Hartmann
Columbia, Maryland