

Testimony to the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee
SB 144 Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment for Multifamily Units Act
Position: Favorable

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The Honorable William C. Smith, Chair
Room 2, Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Honorable Chair Smith and Members of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee:

My name is Scott Wilson, and I currently drive an all-electric 2017 Chevy Bolt EV and 2013 Nissan Leaf. I serve on the Maryland Zero Emission Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council (ZEEVIC), and I'm also Vice President of the Electric Vehicle Association of Greater Washington DC (EVADC). I support passage of SB 144 for the following reasons.



A large part of the mission of EVADC is educational public outreach about EV's. We routinely interact with Marylanders who are interested and excited about taking advantage of all the opportunities an EV provides. All too often, their planning ends when they think about what it would take to put in charging at their condo or apartment, since they have either asked and been denied (even offering to pay all expenses), or just don't want to try to surmount the insurmountable. *This is rarely, if ever, an issue for EV families with garages or other dedicated parking.*

SB 144 is a good, fair solution for both an EV driver approaching an HOA and an HOA receiving a request for charging. It requires the EV driver to pay all expenses, including insurance, and offers guarantees that protect HOAs, in addition to grant funding. **The result is another Maryland family able to charge at home the way tens of thousands of single family homeowners already do, and an HOA offering an attractive amenity for which demand will only grow in the future. SB 144 is a win for everyone.**

Thank you for your time,

Scott Wilson

These Bills Support Electric Vehicles and Maryland

EVs create benefits that extend across local communities, states, countries, and the world.

Clean Cars Act
of 2021.

Pass the Clean Cars Act to replenish the existing \$3000 credit for qualifying EVs.

Pass a Right-to-Charge Bill to create a framework for working with HOAs to request permission to install EV chargers.

Electric Vehicle
Recharging
Equipment for
Multifamily Units

Vehicle Laws -
Plug-In Electric
Drive Vehicles -
Reserved Parking
Spaces

Pass a bill to fine vehicles parking in EV charging spot with no intent to charge.

Pass an EV Prewiring bill to mandate 240V outlet in new construction.

Residential
Construction -
Electric Vehicle
Charging

School Bus
Purchasing -
Zero-Emission
Vehicle -
Requirement

Pass an EV School Bus Purchasing Bill.

Pass a bill to mandate MD Transit Administration only buy Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Buses

Maryland Transit
Administration -
Conversion to
Electric Buses

State Vehicle Fleet
- Conversion to
Zero-Emission
Electric Vehicles

Pass a bill to mandate MD State purchase of EVs.

Vote against any bills to increase a fee on EVs.
See Governor's Report on Transportation Funding.

<https://www.nga.org/center/publications/eie/planning-for-state-transportation-revenue-in-a-coming-era-of-electric-vehicles/>



For more information see: <https://evadc.org/EVInfo>