



Maryland Municipal League
The Association of Maryland's Cities and Towns

TESTIMONY

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Committee: House Environment and Transportation

Bill: HB 894 - Transportation Electrification and Modernization (TEAM) Act

Position: Support

Reason for Position:

The Maryland Municipal League supports House Bill 894, which extends the Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program and creates the Medium and Heavy Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Grant Program.

Electric vehicle recharging stations are popping up within municipalities around the State as electric vehicles gain popularity. Extending the life of the Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program will allow local governments to continue to invest in this infrastructure making it easier to own and operate an electric vehicle.

Municipal governments are also actively seeking opportunities to switch some of their vehicle fleet to electric. The new Medium and Heavy Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Grant Program created in this bill will accelerate this transition. Any State assistance for acquisition and installation costs of zero emission vehicles and equipment that can be used in a public works capacity in a municipality is welcome.

These two programs could dramatically facilitate the proliferation of electric vehicles in the State. As such, the League respectfully requests that this committee provide HB 894 with a favorable report.

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