



WMDA/CAR Service Station
and Automotive Repair Association

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Chair: Kumar P. Barve

Members of Environment and Transportation Committee

RE:HB 230 Environment- Zero Emission Medium and Heavy-Duty vehicles

Position: Unfavorable

Putting a regulation in place when current infrastructure will not support EV deployment would only discourage purchases of EV vehicles. Charging locations will need to be built in areas that can support large vehicles with lots of fast chargers. Working trucks cannot wait in line to get charged.

- Cost is another factor that must be solved, the cost of land and installing chargers. Cost of EV truck as opposed to conventional diesel.
- Power grid that can support charging locations.

State vehicles, Trash haulers, local delivery trucks and over the road trucks all face the same problem – How far away can I travel from a charging outlet:

- In Cold temperatures- in warmer Temperatures
- Fully loaded or empty
- Where is a charger that will accept large vehicle

These issues should be solved before we put mandates in place that are doomed to fail.

Please give HB 230 an unfavorable Report

WMDA/CAR is a trade association that has represented service stations, convenience stores and independent repair shops since 1937. Any questions can be addressed to Kirk McCauley, 301-775-0221 or kmccauley@wmda.ne

