



Maryland Zero Emission Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council - Membership
Environment and Transportation Committee
Favorable with Amendments
February 8, 2024

Vistra submits this written testimony respectfully, to ask for an amendment to HB437: Maryland Zero Emission Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council - Membership.

We ask that the draft legislation be amended to maintain the Council's representative of the retail electric supplier community as a member of the Council. Vistra (and others in the retail energy supplier community) would seek to send a representative to serve on this Council. The retail energy supplier community can assist in the development of policies, recommendations, and incentives that increase awareness of zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs), support the ownership of ZEVs, and promote investment by the private sector in ZEVs; the development of recommendations for a statewide EV charging and hydrogen refueling infrastructure plan; and the development of other potential policies to promote and facilitate the successful integration of ZEVs into Maryland's transportation network. Vistra is also a founding member of the Zero Emission Transportation Association (zeta2030.org) which is the first industry-backed coalition of its kind advocating for the full adoption of electric vehicles (EV).

The amendments should thus read:

Amendment #1: Page 4, Line 2 – Strike “; ~~AND~~”.

Amendment #2: Page 4, Line 4 – Insert “]” after the word “and”.

Amendment #3: Page 4, Line 5 – Strike “]” after the word “community”; Insert the “; **AND**” after the “community”.

Amendment #4: Page 4, Line 6 – Insert “**(XVI)**” before “**A NEW VEHICLE DEALER ASSOCIATION IN THE STATE.**”

Amendment #5: Page 7, Line 21 – Strike “; ~~AND~~”.

Amendment #6: Page 7, Line 23 – Insert “]” after the word “and”.

Amendment #7: Page 7, Line 24 – Strike “]” after the word “community”; Insert the “; **AND**” after the “community”.

Amendment #8: Page 7, Line 25 – Insert “**(XVI)**” before “**A NEW VEHICLE DEALER ASSOCIATION IN THE STATE.**”

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