

## **HB 1457- FAVORABLE**

## Alternative Fuel, Fuel-Efficient, and Electric Vehicles- Highway Use Fees

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Dear Chair Korman, Vice Chair Boyce, and Members of the Environment and Transportation Committee,

This bill is an important measure as we move forward with the decarbonization of the transportation sector. Public transportation, walkable communities, transportation diversity, and electric vehicles are all a part of the clean transportation future. Considering that clean transportation still uses the established road network, it is important to determine a new structure for ensuring reasonable, prospective revenues for the investment, maintenance, and upkeep of our established network of roads, bridges, tunnels, and other critical transportation infrastructure.

Moving forward with the decarbonization of society requires forward thinking, commitment, and careful attention to restructuring critical systems that provide for vital public services.

Therefore, I request a favorable report on HB1457.