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REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JULY 9, 2024

AN ACT

1 ~~Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated~~ <--  
2 ~~Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for~~  
3 ~~definitions; in liquid fuels and fuels tax, further providing~~  
4 ~~for definitions and providing for electric vehicle road user~~  
5 ~~charge; and imposing a penalty.~~

6 AMENDING TITLE 75 (VEHICLES) OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED <--  
7 STATUTES, IN GENERAL PROVISIONS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR  
8 DEFINITIONS; IN LIQUID FUELS AND FUELS TAX, FURTHER PROVIDING  
9 FOR DEFINITIONS AND FOR IMPOSITION OF TAX, EXEMPTIONS AND  
10 DEDUCTIONS AND PROVIDING FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER  
11 CHARGE; AND IMPOSING A PENALTY.

12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
13 hereby enacts as follows:

14 ~~Section 1. The definitions of "electric vehicle" and "hybrid~~ <--  
15 ~~electric vehicle" in section 102 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania~~  
16 ~~Consolidated Statutes are amended and the section is amended by~~  
17 ~~adding definitions to read:~~

18 ~~§ 102. Definitions.~~

19 ~~Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent~~  
20 ~~provisions of this title which are applicable to specific~~  
21 ~~provisions of this title, the following words and phrases when~~

1 ~~used in this title shall have, unless the context clearly~~  
2 ~~indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:~~

3 \* \* \*

4 ~~"Battery." An energy power storage system that stores~~  
5 ~~electrical energy within the system's constituent parts.~~

6 \* \* \*

7 ~~"Electric vehicle." [A motor vehicle which operates solely~~  
8 ~~by use of a battery or battery pack and which meets the~~  
9 ~~applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. The term~~  
10 ~~includes a motor vehicle which is powered mainly through the use~~  
11 ~~of an electric battery or battery pack but which uses a flywheel~~  
12 ~~that stores energy produced by the electric motor or through~~  
13 ~~regenerative braking to assist in operation of the motor~~  
14 ~~vehicle.] A motor vehicle that delivers power to its drive wheel~~  
15 ~~or wheels solely by use of a battery powered electric motor. The~~  
16 ~~term does not include qualified motor vehicles as defined under~~  
17 ~~section 2101.1 (relating to definitions).~~

18 \* \* \*

19 ~~"Hybrid electric vehicle." [An electric vehicle which allows~~  
20 ~~power to be delivered to the drive wheels solely by a battery~~  
21 ~~powered electric motor but which also incorporates the use of a~~  
22 ~~combustion engine to provide power to the battery and which~~  
23 ~~meets the applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. The~~  
24 ~~primary source of power for the motor must be the electric~~  
25 ~~battery or battery pack and not the combustion engine.] A motor~~  
26 ~~vehicle that can deliver power to the drive wheels solely by a~~  
27 ~~battery powered electric motor, and which also incorporates the~~  
28 ~~use of another fuel to power a combustion engine. The term does~~  
29 ~~not include a vehicle capable of receiving energy from an~~  
30 ~~external source, such as an outlet or charging station. The term~~

1 ~~does not include qualified motor vehicles as defined under~~  
2 ~~section 2101.1.~~

3 \* \* \*

4 ~~"Plug in hybrid electric vehicle." A motor vehicle that can~~  
5 ~~deliver power to the drive wheels solely by a battery powered~~  
6 ~~electric motor and which also incorporates the use of another~~  
7 ~~fuel to power a combustion engine. The battery of the vehicle~~  
8 ~~must be capable of receiving energy from an external source,~~  
9 ~~such as an outlet or charging station. The term does not include~~  
10 ~~qualified motor vehicles as defined under section 2101.1.~~

11 \* \* \*

12 Section 2. The definition of "person" in section 9002 of  
13 Title 75 is amended to read:

14 § 9002. Definitions.

15 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter  
16 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
17 context clearly indicates otherwise:

18 \* \* \*

19 "Person." Every natural person, Commonwealth agency,  
20 political subdivision, firm, copartnership, association or  
21 corporation. Whenever used in any provision prescribing and  
22 imposing a fine or imprisonment, the [term as applied to  
23 associations means the partners or members and as applied to  
24 corporations means the officers thereof.] terms firm,  
25 copartnership, association and corporation shall be subject to  
26 18 Pa.C.S. § 307 (relating to liability of organizations and  
27 certain related persons).

28 \* \* \*

29 Section 3. Title 75 is amended by adding a section to read:

30 § 9024. Electric vehicle road user charge.

1 ~~(a) Imposition. Owners or registrants of noncommercial~~  
2 ~~passenger electric vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating~~  
3 ~~of not more than 14,000 pounds shall pay an electric vehicle~~  
4 ~~road user charge of \$290 per year, which shall be concurrent~~  
5 ~~with paying the vehicle registration fee imposed under Chapter~~  
6 ~~13 (relating to registration of vehicles).~~

7 ~~(b) New or temporary electric vehicle registration. New or~~  
8 ~~temporary registration for an electric vehicle issued on or~~  
9 ~~after the effective date of this subsection shall be subject to~~  
10 ~~the electric vehicle road user charge imposed under subsection~~  
11 ~~(a). The Department of Transportation shall send a form to the~~  
12 ~~owner or registrant for the payment of the electric vehicle road~~  
13 ~~user charge for the initial registration consistent with Chapter~~  
14 ~~13.~~

15 ~~(c) Renewal of electric vehicle registration. At least 60~~  
16 ~~days prior to the expiration of registration for an electric~~  
17 ~~vehicle under subsection (a), the Department of Transportation~~  
18 ~~shall send to the owner or registrant a form for the payment of~~  
19 ~~the electric vehicle road user charge for the renewal of~~  
20 ~~registration consistent with Chapter 13.~~

21 ~~(d) Enrollment.~~

22 ~~(1) The Department of Transportation shall permit owners~~  
23 ~~or registrants of electric vehicles under subsection (a) to~~  
24 ~~pay the electric vehicle road user charge as follows:~~

25 ~~(i) Enroll in a flat charge of \$290 per year~~  
26 ~~provided by credit or debit card, electronic funds~~  
27 ~~transfer or check or money order to the Department of~~  
28 ~~Transportation. Owners or registrants who elect this~~  
29 ~~option may enroll in a paper form prescribed and~~  
30 ~~furnished by the Department of Transportation instead of~~

1 ~~electronically.~~

2 ~~(ii) Enroll in an electronic payment plan of \$24.17~~  
3 ~~per month by credit or debit card or electronic funds~~  
4 ~~transfer to the Department of Transportation.~~

5 ~~(2) The charges under paragraph (1) (i) and (ii) shall~~  
6 ~~not include a Federal tax, fee, levy or charge, and an owner~~  
7 ~~or registrant of an electric vehicle shall be responsible for~~  
8 ~~paying any tax, fee, levy or charge imposed by the Congress~~  
9 ~~of the United States after the effective date of this~~  
10 ~~paragraph.~~

11 ~~(c) Concurrent registration. The registration of electric~~  
12 ~~vehicles shall not be valid unless the owner or registrant~~  
13 ~~enrolls in a payment option under subsection (d).~~

14 ~~(f) Penalty. Failure to pay the electric vehicle road user~~  
15 ~~charge within 30 days of the enrollment date established by the~~  
16 ~~Department of Transportation shall result in the imposition of~~  
17 ~~penalties and a prohibition on renewal of the electric vehicle's~~  
18 ~~registration or transfer of title. The Department of~~  
19 ~~Transportation may not prohibit the renewal of a vehicle~~  
20 ~~registration under subsection (d) (1) (ii) if the electric~~  
21 ~~vehicle's owner or registrant is enrolled in a payment plan and~~  
22 ~~makes timely payments according to the schedule established by~~  
23 ~~the Department of Transportation.~~

24 ~~(g) Residential exemption from alternative fuels tax.~~  
25 ~~Electric vehicles subject to the electric vehicle road user~~  
26 ~~charge under subsection (a) are exempt from the tax imposed~~  
27 ~~under section 9004(d) (relating to imposition of tax, exemptions~~  
28 ~~and deductions) only if the electricity is derived from the~~  
29 ~~legal residence of the owner or registrant.~~

30 ~~(h) Liability for unpaid tax amounts. The owner or~~

1 ~~registrant of an electric vehicle subject to the electric~~  
2 ~~vehicle road user charge under this section shall not be liable~~  
3 ~~for any unpaid tax amount owed to the department from the legal~~  
4 ~~residence of the owner or registrant prior to the effective date~~  
5 ~~of this section for the tax imposed under section 9004(d).~~

6 ~~(i) Liens, penalties and interest prohibited. The~~  
7 ~~department may not impose liens, penalties or interest on the~~  
8 ~~owner or registrant of an electric vehicle subject to the~~  
9 ~~electric vehicle road user charge under this section for any~~  
10 ~~unpaid tax amount owed to the department from the legal~~  
11 ~~residence of the owner or registrant prior to the effective date~~  
12 ~~of this subsection for the tax imposed under section 9004(d).~~

13 ~~(j) Criminal penalties and fines prohibited. The owner of~~  
14 ~~an electric vehicle subject to the electric vehicle road user~~  
15 ~~charge under this section shall not be subject to any criminal~~  
16 ~~penalties or fines under this chapter for any unpaid tax amounts~~  
17 ~~owed to the department from the legal residence of the owner or~~  
18 ~~registrant prior to the effective date of this section for the~~  
19 ~~tax imposed under section 9004(d).~~

20 ~~(k) Charges for highway maintenance and construction. The~~  
21 ~~electric vehicle road user charge collected by the department~~  
22 ~~under this section shall be transmitted to the State Treasurer~~  
23 ~~for deposit into the Motor License Fund in accordance with the~~  
24 ~~allocations under section 9511 (relating to allocation of~~  
25 ~~proceeds). For purposes of aligning the electric vehicle road~~  
26 ~~user charge with the allocations of proceeds, the electric~~  
27 ~~vehicle road user charge must be allocated in accordance with~~  
28 ~~the oil company franchise tax for highway maintenance and~~  
29 ~~construction under section 9502 (relating to imposition of tax).~~

30 ~~(l) Exceptions. Owners or registrants of electric vehicles~~

1 ~~consistent with subsection (a) that are owners or registrants~~  
2 ~~under section 9004(e) are exempt from paying the electric~~  
3 ~~vehicle road user charge.~~

4 ~~(m) Regulations. The Department of Transportation may~~  
5 ~~promulgate regulations to implement this section.~~

6 ~~(n) Definitions. As used in this section, the following~~  
7 ~~words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this~~  
8 ~~subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:~~

9 ~~"Electric vehicle." The term shall not include a golf cart,~~  
10 ~~neighborhood electric vehicle and motorcycle, MOTORCYCLE OR A <--~~  
11 ~~MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A MODEL YEAR OF 1990 OR OLDER.~~

12 ~~Section 4. This act shall take effect January 1, 2024, or~~  
13 ~~immediately, whichever is later.~~

14 SECTION 1. THE DEFINITIONS OF "ELECTRIC VEHICLE" AND "HYBRID <--  
15 ELECTRIC VEHICLE" IN SECTION 102 OF TITLE 75 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
16 CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY  
17 ADDING DEFINITIONS TO READ:

18 § 102. DEFINITIONS.

19 SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS CONTAINED IN SUBSEQUENT  
20 PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE WHICH ARE APPLICABLE TO SPECIFIC  
21 PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN  
22 USED IN THIS TITLE SHALL HAVE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT CLEARLY  
23 INDICATES OTHERWISE, THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION:

24 \* \* \*

25 "BATTERY." AN ENERGY POWER STORAGE SYSTEM THAT STORES  
26 ELECTRICAL ENERGY WITHIN THE SYSTEM'S CONSTITUENT PARTS.

27 \* \* \*

28 "ELECTRIC VEHICLE." [A MOTOR VEHICLE WHICH OPERATES SOLELY  
29 BY USE OF A BATTERY OR BATTERY PACK AND WHICH MEETS THE  
30 APPLICABLE FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS. THE TERM

1 INCLUDES A MOTOR VEHICLE WHICH IS POWERED MAINLY THROUGH THE USE  
2 OF AN ELECTRIC BATTERY OR BATTERY PACK BUT WHICH USES A FLYWHEEL  
3 THAT STORES ENERGY PRODUCED BY THE ELECTRIC MOTOR OR THROUGH  
4 REGENERATIVE BRAKING TO ASSIST IN OPERATION OF THE MOTOR  
5 VEHICLE.] A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT DELIVERS POWER TO ITS DRIVE WHEEL  
6 OR WHEELS SOLELY BY USE OF A BATTERY-POWERED ELECTRIC MOTOR.

7 "ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION." A FACILITY OR EQUIPMENT  
8 DESIGNED TO CHARGE, BY CONNECTIVE OR INDUCTIVE MEANS, A BATTERY  
9 WITHIN AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE BY  
10 PERMITTING THE TRANSFER OF ELECTRICITY TO A BATTERY OR OTHER  
11 STORAGE DEVICE IN AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE.

12 \* \* \*

13 "HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE." [AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE WHICH ALLOWS  
14 POWER TO BE DELIVERED TO THE DRIVE WHEELS SOLELY BY A BATTERY-  
15 POWERED ELECTRIC MOTOR BUT WHICH ALSO INCORPORATES THE USE OF A  
16 COMBUSTION ENGINE TO PROVIDE POWER TO THE BATTERY AND WHICH  
17 MEETS THE APPLICABLE FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS. THE  
18 PRIMARY SOURCE OF POWER FOR THE MOTOR MUST BE THE ELECTRIC  
19 BATTERY OR BATTERY PACK AND NOT THE COMBUSTION ENGINE.] AS  
20 FOLLOWS:

21 (1) A MOTOR VEHICLE USING A COMBUSTION ENGINE OR  
22 REGENERATIVE BRAKING TO CHARGE A BATTERY TO DELIVER POWER TO:

23 (I) THE DRIVE WHEEL OR WHEELS; OR

24 (II) VEHICLE SYSTEMS OTHER THAN PROPULSION.

25 (2) THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE MOTOR VEHICLES CAPABLE OF  
26 RECEIVING ENERGY FROM AN EXTERNAL SOURCE SUCH AS AN OUTLET OR  
27 CHARGING STATION.

28 \* \* \*

29 "PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE." A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT CAN  
30 DELIVER POWER TO THE DRIVE WHEELS SOLELY BY A BATTERY-POWERED

1 ELECTRIC MOTOR BUT WHICH ALSO INCORPORATES THE USE OF ANOTHER  
2 FUEL TO POWER A COMBUSTION ENGINE. THE BATTERY OF THE VEHICLE  
3 MUST BE CAPABLE OF RECEIVING ENERGY FROM AN EXTERNAL SOURCE,  
4 SUCH AS AN OUTLET OR CHARGING STATION.

5 \* \* \*

6 SECTION 2. THE DEFINITIONS OF "ALTERNATIVE FUEL DEALER-USER"  
7 AND "PERSON" IN SECTION 9002 OF TITLE 75 ARE AMENDED AND THE  
8 SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A DEFINITION TO READ:

9 § 9002. DEFINITIONS.

10 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS CHAPTER  
11 SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION UNLESS THE  
12 CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

13 \* \* \*

14 "ALTERNATIVE FUEL DEALER-USER." AS FOLLOWS:

15 (1) ANY PERSON WHO DELIVERS OR PLACES ALTERNATIVE FUELS  
16 INTO THE FUEL SUPPLY TANK OR OTHER DEVICE OF A VEHICLE FOR  
17 USE ON THE PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

18 (2) THE TERM INCLUDES A PERSON THAT PROVIDES AN ELECTRIC  
19 VEHICLE CHARGING STATION FOR PUBLIC USE, REGARDLESS OF  
20 WHETHER COMPENSATION IS RECEIVED FOR THE PUBLIC USE.

21 (3) THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE A PERSON THAT PROVIDES AN  
22 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION USED EXCLUSIVELY TO CHARGE:

23 (I) ELECTRIC VEHICLES OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC  
24 VEHICLES AT A PRIVATE RESIDENCE.

25 (II) ELECTRIC VEHICLES OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC  
26 VEHICLES OWNED BY TENANTS, RESIDENTS OR NONLOCAL VISITORS <--  
27 OF A COMMON INTEREST DEVELOPMENT OR OTHER GROUP OF  
28 PRIVATE RESIDENCES WITHIN A GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION.

29 (4) THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE AN OWNER OR REGISTRANT OF  
30 AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE

1 SUBJECT TO AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE UNDER SECTION  
2 9024 (RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE).

3 \* \* \*

4 "EXEMPT ENTITY." A PERSON EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 9004 (E)  
5 (RELATING TO IMPOSITION OF TAX, EXEMPTIONS AND DEDUCTIONS) FROM  
6 REPORTING AND PAYING A TAX ON LIQUID FUELS, FUELS OR ALTERNATIVE  
7 FUELS IMPOSED BY THIS CHAPTER.

8 \* \* \*

9 "PERSON." EVERY NATURAL PERSON, FIRM, COPARTNERSHIP,  
10 ASSOCIATION OR CORPORATION. WHENEVER USED IN ANY PROVISION  
11 PRESCRIBING AND IMPOSING A FINE OR IMPRISONMENT, THE [TERM AS  
12 APPLIED TO ASSOCIATIONS MEANS THE PARTNERS OR MEMBERS AND AS  
13 APPLIED TO CORPORATIONS MEANS THE OFFICERS THEREOF.] TERMS FIRM,  
14 COPARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION AND CORPORATION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO  
15 18 PA.C.S. § 307 (RELATING TO LIABILITY OF ORGANIZATIONS AND  
16 CERTAIN RELATED PERSONS). WITH RESPECT ONLY TO THE SALE OF  
17 ALTERNATIVE FUELS, A COMMONWEALTH AGENCY AND A POLITICAL  
18 SUBDIVISION MAY BE CONSIDERED A "PERSON."

19 \* \* \*

20 SECTION 3. SECTION 9004 (E) (4) OF TITLE 75 IS AMENDED AND  
21 SUBSECTION (D) IS AMENDED BY ADDING A PARAGRAPH TO READ:  
22 § 9004. IMPOSITION OF TAX, EXEMPTIONS AND DEDUCTIONS.

23 \* \* \*

24 (D) ALTERNATIVE FUELS TAX.--

25 \* \* \*

26 (3) NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE CONSTRUED  
27 TO:

28 (I) AFFECT THE DUTY OF AN ALTERNATIVE FUEL DEALER-  
29 USER TO REPORT AND PAY TO THE DEPARTMENT THE TAX UNDER  
30 THIS SUBSECTION FOR ELECTRICITY DELIVERED THROUGH AN

1 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION PROVIDED BY THE  
2 ALTERNATIVE FUEL DEALER-USER TO THE OWNER OR REGISTRANT  
3 OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE  
4 THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE.

5 (II) PROHIBIT THE ALTERNATIVE FUEL DEALER-USER FROM  
6 PASSING ONTO THE OWNER OR REGISTRANT OF AN ELECTRIC  
7 VEHICLE OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE THAT IS  
8 SUBJECT TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE ANY  
9 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPORTING AND PAYMENT OF THE  
10 TAX UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

11 (E) EXCEPTIONS.--THE TAX IMPOSED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (B), (C)  
12 AND (D) SHALL NOT APPLY TO LIQUID FUELS, FUELS OR ALTERNATIVE  
13 FUELS:

14 \* \* \*

15 (4) DELIVERED TO THIS COMMONWEALTH, A POLITICAL  
16 SUBDIVISION, A VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, A VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE  
17 SERVICE, A VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD, A SECOND CLASS COUNTY PORT  
18 AUTHORITY, AN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AS DEFINED  
19 UNDER 15 PA.C.S. § 7302(A) (RELATING TO APPLICATION OF  
20 CHAPTER) OR A NONPUBLIC SCHOOL NOT OPERATED FOR PROFIT ON  
21 PRESENTATION OF EVIDENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE DEPARTMENT.

22 \* \* \*

23 SECTION 4. TITLE 75 IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:  
24 § 9024. ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE.

25 (A) IMPOSITION.--OWNERS OR REGISTRANTS OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES  
26 AND PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLES WITH A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT  
27 RATING OF NOT MORE THAN 14,000 POUNDS SHALL PAY AN ANNUAL  
28 ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION  
29 (C.1), WHICH SHALL BE CONCURRENT WITH PAYING THE VEHICLE  
30 REGISTRATION FEE IMPOSED UNDER CHAPTER 13 (RELATING TO

1 REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES).

2 (B) NEW OR TEMPORARY VEHICLE REGISTRATION.--NEW OR TEMPORARY  
3 REGISTRATION FOR AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC  
4 VEHICLE ISSUED ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION  
5 SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE  
6 IMPOSED UNDER SUBSECTION (A). THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
7 SHALL SEND A FORM TO THE OWNER OR REGISTRANT FOR THE PAYMENT OF  
8 THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE FOR THE INITIAL  
9 REGISTRATION CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER 13.

10 (C) RENEWAL OF VEHICLE REGISTRATION.--AT LEAST 60 DAYS PRIOR  
11 TO THE EXPIRATION OF REGISTRATION FOR AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR  
12 PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE UNDER SUBSECTION (A), THE  
13 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL SEND TO THE OWNER OR  
14 REGISTRANT A FORM FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD  
15 USER CHARGE FOR THE RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION CONSISTENT WITH  
16 CHAPTER 13.

17 (C.1) COMPUTATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE.--

18 (1) THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE FOR AN  
19 ELECTRIC VEHICLE SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

20 (I) ~~\$125~~ \$200 UPON INITIAL REGISTRATION IN 2025 OR <--  
21 UPON RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT  
22 OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A REGISTRATION THAT EXPIRES IN  
23 2025.

24 (II) ~~\$150~~ \$250 UPON INITIAL REGISTRATION IN 2026 OR <--  
25 UPON RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT  
26 OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A REGISTRATION THAT EXPIRES IN  
27 2026.

28 ~~(III) \$175 UPON INITIAL REGISTRATION IN 2027 OR UPON <--~~  
29 ~~RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF~~  
30 ~~TRANSPORTATION FOR A REGISTRATION THAT EXPIRES IN 2027.~~

1           ~~(IV) \$200 UPON INITIAL REGISTRATION IN 2028 OR UPON~~  
2           ~~RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF~~  
3           ~~TRANSPORTATION FOR A REGISTRATION THAT EXPIRES IN 2028.~~  
4           ~~(V) \$225 UPON INITIAL REGISTRATION IN 2029 OR UPON~~  
5           ~~RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF~~  
6           ~~TRANSPORTATION FOR A REGISTRATION THAT EXPIRES IN 2029.~~  
7           ~~(VI)~~ (III) THE AMOUNT UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) UPON           <--  
8           INITIAL REGISTRATION IN ~~2030~~ 2027 AND EACH YEAR           <--  
9           THEREAFTER OR UPON RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION SUBMITTED TO  
10          THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A REGISTRATION THAT  
11          EXPIRES IN ~~2030~~ 2027 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER.           <--  
12          (2) ON JANUARY 1, ~~2030~~ 2027, AND EACH JANUARY 1           <--  
13          THEREAFTER, THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE SHALL BE  
14          FIXED ANNUALLY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BASED UPON  
15          THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE IN THE PRIOR YEAR AS  
16          ADJUSTED TO REFLECT THE CHANGE IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX  
17          FOR ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U) FOR THE UNITED STATES FOR ALL  
18          ITEMS AS PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR,  
19          BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, FOR THE PREVIOUS 12-MONTH PERIOD.  
20          THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE AS ADJUSTED SHALL BE  
21          ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST MULTIPLE OF \$1. THE DEPARTMENT OF  
22          TRANSPORTATION SHALL TRANSMIT NOTICE OF THE NEW ELECTRIC  
23          VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE TO THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU  
24          BY THE PRECEDING DECEMBER 1 FOR PUBLICATION IN THE NEXT  
25          AVAILABLE ISSUE OF THE PENNSYLVANIA BULLETIN NO LATER THAN  
26          THE PRECEDING DECEMBER 15.  
27          (3) THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE FOR A PLUG-IN  
28          HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE SHALL BE 25% OF THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE  
29          ROAD USER CHARGE FOR AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)  
30          AND SHALL BE ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST MULTIPLE OF \$1 AS

1 DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

2 (4) IF AN OWNER OR REGISTRANT OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR  
3 PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE ELECTS TO PAY AN ANNUAL  
4 REGISTRATION FEE FOR A TWO-YEAR REGISTRATION PERIOD AS  
5 PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 1307(G) (RELATING TO PERIOD OF  
6 REGISTRATION), THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE SHALL BE  
7 TWO TIMES THE AMOUNT REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION AS DETERMINED  
8 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

9 (D) ENROLLMENT.--

10 (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL PERMIT OWNERS  
11 OR REGISTRANTS OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND PLUG-IN HYBRID  
12 ELECTRIC VEHICLES UNDER SUBSECTION (A) TO PAY THE ELECTRIC  
13 VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE AS FOLLOWS:

14 (I) ENROLL IN A FLAT CHARGE OF THE AMOUNT REQUIRED  
15 UNDER SUBSECTION (C.1) PER YEAR TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
16 TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED BY CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD, CHECK OR  
17 MONEY ORDER OR ANY OTHER PAYMENT METHOD APPROVED BY THE  
18 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. OWNERS OR REGISTRANTS WHO  
19 ELECT THIS OPTION MAY ENROLL IN A PAPER FORM PRESCRIBED  
20 AND FURNISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INSTEAD  
21 OF ELECTRONICALLY.

22 (II) ENROLL IN A PAYMENT PLAN OF THE AMOUNT REQUIRED  
23 UNDER SUBSECTION (C.1) DIVIDED INTO MONTHLY PAYMENTS  
24 DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
25 TRANSPORTATION BY CREDIT OR DEBIT CARD, CHECK OR MONEY  
26 ORDER OR ANY OTHER PAYMENT METHOD APPROVED BY THE  
27 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. OWNERS OR REGISTRANTS WHO  
28 ELECT THIS OPTION MAY ENROLL IN A PAPER FORM PRESCRIBED  
29 AND FURNISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INSTEAD  
30 OF ELECTRONICALLY.

1           (2) THE CHARGES UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) SHALL NOT INCLUDE A  
2           FEDERAL TAX, FEE, LEVY OR CHARGE, AND AN OWNER OR REGISTRANT  
3           OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE  
4           SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING ANY TAX, FEE, LEVY OR CHARGE  
5           IMPOSED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AFTER THE  
6           EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

7           (E) CONCURRENT REGISTRATION.--THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTRIC  
8           VEHICLES AND PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLES SHALL NOT BE VALID  
9           UNLESS THE OWNER OR REGISTRANT ENROLLS IN A PAYMENT OPTION UNDER  
10          SUBSECTION (D).

11          (F) PENALTY.--FAILURE TO PAY THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER  
12          CHARGE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE ENROLLMENT DATE ESTABLISHED BY THE  
13          DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL RESULT IN A PROHIBITION ON  
14          RENEWAL OF THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE'S OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC  
15          VEHICLE'S REGISTRATION. THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MAY NOT  
16          PROHIBIT THE RENEWAL OF A VEHICLE REGISTRATION UNDER SUBSECTION  
17          (D) (1) (II) IF THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE'S OR PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC  
18          VEHICLE'S OWNER OR REGISTRANT IS ENROLLED IN A PAYMENT PLAN AND  
19          MAKES TIMELY PAYMENTS ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE ESTABLISHED BY  
20          THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

21          (G) LIABILITY FOR UNPAID TAX AMOUNTS.--THE OWNER OR  
22          REGISTRANT OF A VEHICLE SUBJECT TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD  
23          USER CHARGE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY  
24          UNPAID TAX AMOUNT OWED TO THE DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE  
25          DATE OF THIS SECTION FOR THE TAX IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 9004(D)  
26          (RELATING TO IMPOSITION OF TAX, EXEMPTIONS AND DEDUCTIONS).

27          (H) LIENS, PENALTIES AND INTEREST PROHIBITED.--THE  
28          DEPARTMENT MAY NOT IMPOSE LIENS, PENALTIES OR INTEREST ON THE  
29          OWNER OR REGISTRANT OF A VEHICLE SUBJECT TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE  
30          ROAD USER CHARGE UNDER THIS SECTION FOR ANY UNPAID TAX AMOUNT

1 OWED TO THE DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS  
2 SUBSECTION FOR THE TAX IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 9004(D).

3 (I) CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND FINES PROHIBITED.--THE OWNER OF A  
4 VEHICLE SUBJECT TO THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE UNDER  
5 THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO ANY CRIMINAL PENALTIES OR  
6 FINES UNDER THIS CHAPTER FOR ANY UNPAID TAX AMOUNTS OWED TO THE  
7 DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION FOR THE  
8 TAX IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 9004(D).

9 (J) CHARGES FOR HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION.--THE  
10 ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
11 TRANSPORTATION UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE  
12 STATE TREASURER FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE MOTOR LICENSE FUND IN  
13 ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS UNDER SECTION 9511 (RELATING TO  
14 ALLOCATION OF PROCEEDS). FOR PURPOSES OF ALIGNING THE ELECTRIC  
15 VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS OF PROCEEDS, THE  
16 ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE MUST BE ALLOCATED IN  
17 ACCORDANCE WITH THE OIL COMPANY FRANCHISE TAX FOR HIGHWAY  
18 MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION UNDER SECTION 9502 (RELATING TO  
19 IMPOSITION OF TAX).

20 (K) EXCEPTIONS.--THE FOLLOWING ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND PLUG-IN  
21 HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLES SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE  
22 ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE UNDER THIS SECTION:

23 (1) A GOLF CART.

24 (2) A NEIGHBORHOOD ELECTRIC VEHICLE.

25 (3) A MOTORCYCLE OR OTHER VEHICLE WITH LESS THAN FOUR  
26 WHEELS.

27 (4) A VEHICLE THAT IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED WITH  
28 THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNDER THIS TITLE.

29 (5) A VEHICLE REGISTERED TO A PERSON EXEMPT UNDER  
30 SECTION 9004(E) FROM REPORTING AND PAYING A TAX ON LIQUID

1 FUELS, FUELS OR ALTERNATIVE FUELS.

2 (6) QUALIFIED MOTOR VEHICLES AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION  
3 2101.1 (RELATING TO DEFINITIONS).

4 (7) A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A MODEL YEAR OF 1990 OR OLDER.  
5 (L) EXEMPT ENTITIES.--

6 (1) IF A VEHICLE REGISTERED TO AN EXEMPT ENTITY IS USED  
7 FOR A NONEXEMPT PURPOSE DURING THE REGISTRATION YEAR, THE  
8 EXEMPT ENTITY SHALL PAY AN ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY OF \$500 TO  
9 THE DEPARTMENT. AN EXEMPT ENTITY THAT IMPROPERLY USES A  
10 VEHICLE FOR NONEXEMPT PURPOSES IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO CLAIM A  
11 REFUND FOR THE VEHICLE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 9017  
12 (RELATING TO REFUNDS).

13 (2) AN EXEMPT ENTITY APPLYING FOR A REFUND UNDER  
14 SUBSECTION (M) SHALL MAINTAIN RECORDS OF VEHICLE USAGE  
15 CERTIFYING THAT AN INDIVIDUAL TRIP MADE BY THE VEHICLE WAS  
16 FOR A QUALIFIED EXEMPT USE. INDIVIDUAL TRIP LOGS, ODOMETER  
17 READINGS AND DRIVER SIGNATURES SHALL BE AMONG THE RECORDS  
18 REQUIRED TO SUBSTANTIATE EXEMPT USE.

19 (3) THE DEPARTMENT MAY INSPECT THE SUBSTANTIATING  
20 RECORDS FOR AN EXEMPT ENTITY AT ANY TIME.

21 (4) THE EXEMPT ENTITY SHALL COOPERATE WITH AN AGENT OF  
22 THE DEPARTMENT IN AN INSPECTION UNDER PARAGRAPH (3).

23 (5) AN EXEMPT ENTITY THAT REFUSES TO PERMIT THE  
24 DEPARTMENT OR AN AGENT APPOINTED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN WRITING  
25 TO EXAMINE THE BOOKS, RECORDS, PAPERS OR OTHER EQUIPMENT  
26 ASSOCIATED WITH THE OPERATION OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE OF PLUG-  
27 IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE AS PERMITTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (3)  
28 COMMITTS A SUMMARY OFFENSE AND SHALL PAY A FINE OF \$500 FOR  
29 EACH ELECTRIC VEHICLE AND PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE  
30 OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE EXEMPT ENTITY.

1 (M) REFUNDS.--A PERSON MAY BE ENTITLED TO A REFUND OF THE  
2 ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE PAID FOR A VEHICLE THAT WOULD  
3 OTHERWISE HAVE BEEN EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 9004. A PERSON ENTITLED  
4 TO A REFUND OF THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USE FEE SHALL APPLY FOR  
5 AN ANNUAL REFUND IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO THE REFUND PROCESS USED  
6 FOR LIQUID FUELS, FUELS AND ALTERNATIVE FUELS UNDER SECTION  
7 9017.

8 (N) RENTAL VEHICLES.--THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE ROAD USER CHARGE  
9 UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSIDERED A RENTAL VEHICLE  
10 LICENSING AND TITLE FEE IMPOSED BY THE COMMONWEALTH UNDER THIS  
11 TITLE FOR THE PURPOSES OF SECTION 1603-A OF THE ACT OF MARCH 4,  
12 1971 (P.L.6, NO.2), KNOWN AS THE TAX REFORM CODE OF 1971.

13 (O) REGULATIONS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, IN  
14 CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, MAY PROMULGATE REGULATIONS TO  
15 IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

16 (P) TEMPORARY REGULATIONS.--IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE  
17 PROMPT IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION, REGULATIONS PROMULGATED  
18 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN CONSULTATION WITH THE  
19 DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS SECTION DURING THE TWO YEARS FOLLOWING THE  
20 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE DEEMED TEMPORARY  
21 REGULATIONS, WHICH SHALL EXPIRE NO LATER THAN THREE YEARS  
22 FOLLOWING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBSECTION OR UPON THE  
23 PROMPT PROMULGATION OF FINAL REGULATIONS. THE TEMPORARY  
24 REGULATIONS MAY NOT BE SUBJECT TO:

25 (1) SECTIONS 201, 202, 203, 204, AND 205 OF THE ACT OF  
26 JULY 31, 1968 (P.L.769, NO.240), REFERRED TO AS THE  
27 COMMONWEALTH DOCUMENTS LAW.

28 (2) SECTION 204(B) OF THE ACT OF OCTOBER 15, 1980  
29 (P.L.950, NO.164), KNOWN AS THE COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEYS ACT.

30 (3) THE ACT OF JUNE 25, 1982 (P.L.633, NO.181), KNOWN AS

1        THE REGULATORY REVIEW ACT.

2        SECTION 5.    THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS:

3            (1)    THE ADDITION OF 75 PA.C.S. § 9024(D)(1)(II) SHALL  
4        TAKE EFFECT IN 24 MONTHS.

5            (2)    THIS SECTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

6            (3)    THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT JANUARY  
7        1, 2025.