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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

Ms. LOFGREN (for herself, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. MASSIE, and Mr. WOODALL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Electric Vehicle Charg-
5 ing Offers Modern Utility Terminals for Employees Act”
6 or the “EV-COMUTE Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. OPERATION OF BATTERY RECHARGING STATIONS**
2 **IN PARKING AREAS USED BY FEDERAL EM-**
3 **PLOYEES.**

4 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The head of any office of
6 the Federal Government which owns or operates a
7 parking area for the use of its employees (either di-
8 rectly or indirectly through a contractor) may in-
9 stall, construct, operate, and maintain on a reim-
10 bursable basis a battery recharging station in such
11 area for the use of privately owned vehicles of em-
12 ployees of the office and others who are authorized
13 to park in such area.

14 (2) USE OF VENDORS.—The head of an office
15 may carry out paragraph (1) through a contract
16 with a vendor, under such terms and conditions (in-
17 cluding terms relating to the allocation between the
18 office and the vendor of the costs of carrying out the
19 contract) as the head of the office and the vendor
20 may agree to.

21 (b) IMPOSITION OF FEES TO COVER COSTS.—

22 (1) FEES.—The head of an office of the Fed-
23 eral Government which operates and maintains a
24 battery recharging station under this Act shall
25 charge fees to the individuals who use the station in
26 such amount as is necessary to ensure that office re-

1 covers all of the costs it incurs in installing, con-
2 structing, operating, and maintaining the station.

3 (2) DEPOSIT AND AVAILABILITY OF FEES.—

4 Any fees collected by the head of an office under this
5 subsection shall be—

6 (A) deposited monthly in the Treasury to
7 the credit of the appropriations account for sal-
8 aries and expenses of the office; and

9 (B) available for obligation without further
10 appropriation during—

11 (i) the fiscal year collected; and

12 (ii) the fiscal year following the fiscal
13 year collected.

14 (c) NO EFFECT ON EXISTING PROGRAMS FOR
15 HOUSE AND SENATE.—Nothing in this Act may be con-
16 strued to affect the installation, construction, operation,
17 or maintenance of battery recharging stations by the Ar-
18 chitect of the Capitol—

19 (1) under Public Law 112–170 (2 U.S.C.
20 2171), relating to employees of the House of Rep-
21 resentatives and individuals authorized to park in
22 any parking area under the jurisdiction of the House
23 of Representatives on the Capitol Grounds; or

24 (2) under Public Law 112–167 (2 U.S.C.
25 2170), relating to employees of the Senate and indi-

1 viduals authorized to park in any parking area
2 under the jurisdiction of the Senate on the Capitol
3 Grounds.

4 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

5 This Act shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2016
6 and each succeeding fiscal year.

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