

SHB 1550 - H AMD 230

By Representative Abell

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70A.555
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) An entity that accepts electric vehicle batteries may
6 voluntarily notify the department for purposes of publicizing that the
7 entity offers this service. A notification under this section must
8 specify any charges associated with the entity accepting the electric
9 vehicle battery, and a description of whether electric vehicle
10 batteries returned to this location will be reused, repurposed,
11 remanufactured, recycled, or disposed of, or any combination thereof.

12 (2) By July 1, 2026, the department must post and periodically
13 update on its website a directory tool, by county and, if applicable,
14 city, of the name and address of each entity that has notified the
15 department under subsection (1) of this section. The directory tool
16 must allow a user to use a simple search function to find:

17 (a) an entity that accepts electric vehicle batteries in a
18 specific jurisdiction within the state;

19 (b) a description of how the entity manages unwanted electric
20 vehicle batteries; and

21 (c) any associated charges for services provided by the entity.

22 (3) For purposes of this section, "electric vehicle battery" means
23 a battery with the primary original intended purpose of supplying
24 power to propel an electric or hybrid vehicle.

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26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 70A.555
27 RCW to read as follows:

1 (1) The department must administer a grant program to encourage
2 the reuse, repurposing, remanufacturing, and recycling of electric
3 vehicle batteries by offsetting the transportation costs for the
4 delivery of an unwanted electric vehicle battery to a location
5 identified in section 1 of this act.

6 (2) It is the intent of the legislature to allocate no more than
7 \$440,000 per biennium from the model toxics control operating account,
8 for the purposes of this section."

EFFECT: Requires the Department of Ecology (Ecology) to post and periodically update a directory tool identifying locations that offer the service of accepting unwanted electric vehicle batteries, including any charges associated with this service and a description of how the entity manages electric vehicle batteries. Directs Ecology to administer a grant program to offset transportation costs for delivering unwanted electric vehicle batteries to locations that accept them.

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