

Proposed Substitute House Bill 1204

(H-1082.2)

By Representative Ramel

Original Bill:

- Requires the Washington State Transportation Commission (Commission) to adopt regulations on or before January 1, 2025, mandating that all model year 2030 or later passenger and light-duty vehicles registered in Washington be electric vehicles.
- Prohibits the Department of Licensing from registering vehicles that are not in compliance with these regulations for model year 2030 or later passenger and light-duty vehicles.
- Requires the Commission to develop a scoping plan for these regulations by September 1, 2023, and submit it to the transportation committees of the Legislature.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:

- Removes the entirety of the underlying bill.
- Establishes a goal for the state that publicly and privately owned passenger and light duty vehicles of model year 2030 or later sold, purchased, or registered in Washington be electric vehicles.
- Clarifies that this goal does not supersede any other law and that any other law that conflicts with it is controlling.
- Clarifies that a state agency is not permitted to restrict the purchase, sale, or registration of vehicles on the basis of this goal.
- Notes that this goal does not change or affect the directive for the Department of Ecology to implement the zero emission vehicle program.

Committee: House Transportation Committee

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BILL REQUEST - CODE REVISER'S OFFICE

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ATTY/TYPIST: AI:akl

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Concerning the electrification of transportation.

1 AN ACT Relating to the electrification of transportation; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 43.19 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.19
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) A goal is established for the state that all publicly-owned
7 and privately owned passenger and light duty vehicles of model year
8 2030 or later that are sold, purchased, or registered in Washington
9 state be electric vehicles.

10 (2) The goal established in this section does not supersede any
11 other law, and the other law controls if inconsistent with the goal
12 established in this section.

13 (3) For purposes of this section:

14 (a) "Electric vehicles" are vehicles that use energy stored in
15 rechargeable battery packs or in hydrogen and which rely solely on
16 electric motors for propulsion.

17 (b) "Passenger and light duty vehicles" are on-road motor
18 vehicles with a scale weight of up to 10,000 pounds and three or more
19 wheels. Emergency services vehicles are not passenger and light duty
20 vehicles.

21 (4) Nothing in this section:

1 (a) Authorizes any state agency to restrict the purchase, sale,
2 or registration of vehicles that are not electric vehicles; or
3 (b) Changes or affects the directive to the department of ecology
4 to implement the zero emission vehicle program required under RCW
5 70A.30.010.

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