

# STATE and LOCAL FISCAL IMPACT

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Guzman Bill Status: Senate Local Government

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TITLE: CONCERNING THE REMOVAL OF UNREASONABLE RESTRICTIONS ON THE

ABILITY OF THE OWNER OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE TO ACCESS CHARGING

FACILITIES.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015
State Revenue		
State Expenditures Cash Funds Electric Vehicle Grant Fund	See State Expenditures section.	
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: None required.		
Local Government Impact: See Local Government Impact section.		

#### **Summary of Legislation**

This bill prohibits a landlord or a common interest community (i.e., home owner or condominium owner associations (HOA)) from unreasonably restricting the installation of an electric vehicle charging system. Landlords and HOAs may not charge a fee for the placement or use of a vehicle charging system. A tenant or homeowner must agree to comply with design specifications and other limitations.

Under current law, only local governments may apply for and receive grant funding from the Electric Vehicle Grant Fund, administered by the Colorado Energy Office (CEO). This bill permits landlords and HOAs to apply for grants to install electric vehicle charging stations.

### **State Expenditures**

This bill will increase administrative expenses in the CEO, but this increase is anticipated to be minimal and can be paid with existing appropriations. The CEO must accommodate additional applications to the electric vehicle grant program. In addition to local governments, the CEO may award grants to private entities for installation of vehicle charging stations. A larger pool of applicants will increase the cost to consider and process applications; however the total amount of money awarded from the grant program is unchanged by the bill.

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In FY 2013-14, the CEO has budgeted \$40,000 for the electric vehicle grant fund. This funding is from federal sources. In FY 2014-15, the CEO anticipates additional federal funding up to \$120,000.

## **Local Government Impact**

Local governments will now be in competition with other private entities for access to CEO grant funding, possibly reducing the amount of grant money awarded to local governments. No estimate of this reduction is available.

## **Departments Contacted**

Colorado Energy Office Judicial Law

Local Affairs Regulatory Agencies