

1 S.176

2 Introduced by Senator White

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Motor vehicles; electric vehicles; identification; registration

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require the  
7 Department of Motor Vehicles to issue distinctive registration and windshield  
8 stickers to registrants of electric vehicles, and to require the registrants to affix  
9 the stickers to the rear registration plate and to the windshield of the electric  
10 vehicle.

11 An act relating to identifying electric vehicles

12 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

13 Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 301b is added to read:

14 § 301b. IDENTIFICATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES

15 (a) As used in this section, “electric vehicle” means a motor vehicle  
16 equipped with an electric or hybrid-electric propulsion system.

17 (b) On and after July 1, 2014, at the time of initial registration or the  
18 renewal of registration of an electric vehicle, the Commissioner shall issue a  
19 distinctive yellow registration sticker, as well as a distinctive yellow  
20 windshield sticker, that includes the letters “EV” to indicate that the vehicle is

1 an electric vehicle. The registrant shall affix the distinctive registration sticker  
2 on the rear plate in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner in accordance  
3 with 23 V.S.A. § 305(c), and shall affix the distinctive windshield sticker on  
4 the inside top center of the windshield, to the right of the vehicle's inspection  
5 sticker.

6 (c) The electric vehicle stickers required under this section shall be issued  
7 at no extra charge to registrants. The Commissioner may charge up to \$2.00  
8 for replacement stickers.

9 (d) On and after July 1, 2016, the Vermont registrant of an electric vehicle  
10 operated on a highway of this State without distinctive stickers affixed to the  
11 rear plate and to the windshield as required under subsection (a) of this section  
12 shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$50.00.

13 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

14 This act shall take effect on passage.