

1 § 2906. ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT GOALS

2 It shall be the goal of the State to have, as practicable, at least one location with
3 multiple level 3 EVSE charging ports available to the public:

1 (1) **within** three driving miles of every exit of the Dwight D. Eisenhower
2 National System of Interstate and Defense Highways within the State; and

4 (2) **no more than** 25 driving miles of another level 3 EVSE charging port
5 available to the public along a State highway, as defined in subdivision 1(20) of
6 this title; and

7 (3) **co-located with or within a safe, 5 minute walk of publicly accessible**
8 **amenities such as restrooms, food retailers, convenience stores to provide a**
9 **safe, consistent, and convenient experience for the traveling public.**

10 § 2907. ANNUAL REPORTING; ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY
11 EQUIPMENT

12 (a) Notwithstanding 2 V.S.A. § 20(d), the Agency of Transportation shall:

13 (1) file a report with map on the State's efforts to meet its federally required
14 Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan, as updated, with the House
15 and Senate Committees on Transportation not later than January 15 each year
16 until the Deployment Plan is met;

17 (2) file a report on the State's efforts to meet its federally required Electric Vehicle
18 Infrastructure Deployment Plan, as updated, with the House and Senate Committees
19 on Transportation not later than January 15 each year until the Deployment Plan is
20 met;

1 (3) file a report on additional efforts to deploy EVSE through any State
2 EVSE grant programs, including grant programs to increase Vermonters'
3 access to charging at workplaces, multiunit dwellings, and community
4 attractions with the House and Senate Committees on Transportation not later
5 than January 15 each year in a year following a calendar year where a State
6 EVSE grant program provides funding for EVSE; and

7 (4) file a report on the current conditions of EVSE having received public
8 funding and available to the public, how other states or jurisdictions are
9 addressing broken or unavailable equipment, and any recommendations on how
10 best to minimize the frequency that EVSE available to the public is broken or
11 unavailable with the House and Senate Committees on Transportation not later
12 than January 15 each year.

13 (b) The reports required under subsection (a) of this section can be
14 combined when filing with the House and Senate Committees on
15 Transportation and shall prominently be posted on the Agency of
16 Transportation and Agency of Commerce and Community Development's
17 websites, as applicable.

18 Sec. 7. REPEAL OF CURRENT EVSE MAP REPORT

19 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 55, Sec. 30, as amended by 2022 Acts and
20 Resolves No. 184, Sec. 4 (EVSE network in Vermont; report of annual map) is
21 repealed.

1 Sec. 9. EVSE PLAN; REPORT

2 The Agency of Transportation, in consultation with the Agencies of Natural
3 Resources and of Commerce and Community Development, shall prepare a written
4 plan, which may incorporate other plans that have been prepared to secure federal
5 funding under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program, for how
6 to fund and maintain the EVSE necessary for Vermont to meet that portion of the
7 goals of the Comprehensive Energy Plan and the Vermont Climate Action Plan. The
8 written plan shall be filed with the House and Senate Committees on Transportation
9 not later than January 15, 2025.

10 Sec. 10. EVSE GRANT PROGRAM; APPROPRIATION

11 ~~(a) Appropriation. The sum of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated from the~~
12 ~~Transportation Fund to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development~~
13 ~~in fiscal year 2025 for a continuation of the EVSE Grant Program created under~~
14 ~~2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. E.903.~~

15 ~~(b) Eligibility. Grants shall be awarded to persons for projects that meet the~~
16 ~~requirements in 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. E.903(b)(1)(A)–(C).~~

17 ~~(c) Administrative costs. The Agency of Commerce and Community~~
18 ~~Development may use up to 15 percent of the appropriation in subsection (a) of~~
19 ~~this section for administrative costs associated with installing EVSE at multiunit~~
20 ~~housing, workplaces, and public venues and attractions.~~

21 ~~(d) Carryforward; deployment in fiscal year 2025.~~

1 ~~(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to the~~
2 ~~approval of the Secretary of Administration, appropriations to support the~~

~~3 expenditures under this section remaining unexpended on June 30, 2025 shall
4 be carried forward and designated for the same expenditures in the subsequent
5 fiscal year.~~

~~6 (2) Every reasonable effort shall be made to obligate and deploy the
7 monies appropriated for expenditure under this section in fiscal year 2025 in
8 order to achieve a pace of EVSE deployment necessary to meet the emissions
9 reduction requirements of 10 V.S.A. § 578(a) and the recommendations of the
10 Climate Action Plan (CAP) issued under 10 V.S.A. § 592.~~

~~11 (c) Outreach and marketing. The Agency of Commerce and Community
12 Development shall ensure that there is sufficient outreach and marketing,
1 including the use of translation and interpretation services, of the EVSE Grant
2 Program implemented pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and such costs
3 shall be considered administrative costs for purposes of subsection (c) of this
4 section.~~

5 Sec. 11. RECOMMENDATION ON EVSE REGULATION

6 **Before implementing a regulatory program, or taking any enforcement action**
7 **pursuant to 9 V.S.A. § 2631 & 2651, Commerce and Trade, the Agency of**
8 **Agriculture, Food and Markets, in consultation with the Agencies of Transportation,**
9 **Commerce and Community Development, the Office of the**
10 **Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division, Drive Electric Vermont, and EVSE**
11 **industry participants, shall prepare written recommendations on what regulations, if**
12 **any, should be placed on EVSE available to the public that is not owned and operated**
13 **by an electric distribution utility. The written recommendations shall include clear**

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explanations for regulatory recommendations regarding subject equipment and trade professionals; fees, penalties, and appeal processes; numbers of affected devices and impacted tradespeople; projected revenues and program costs; and initial findings regarding device tolerances and non-compliant devices, **and plans for education and communications in advance of any regulatory program implementation or enforcement.** The report shall be filed with the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, the House Committee on Environment and Energy, and the Senate Committees on Finance and on Natural Resources and Energy not later than November 15, 2024.