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Introduced by Representatives Higley of Lowell, Burt of Cabot, Casey of  
Hubbardton, Coffin of Cavendish, Demar of Enosburgh,  
Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Dobrovich of Williamstown,  
Donahue of Northfield, Feltus of Lyndon, Galfetti of Barre  
Town, Goslant of Northfield, Howland of Rutland Town,  
Keyser of Rutland City, Labor of Morgan, Luneau of St. Albans  
City, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan,  
M. of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Nelson of Derby,  
Nielsen of Brandon, Oliver of Sheldon, Page of Newport City,  
Parsons of Newbury, Powers of Waterford, Quimby of Lyndon,  
Southworth of Walden, Tagliavia of Corinth, Taylor of Milton,  
and Toof of St. Albans Town

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Conservation and development; air pollution; motor vehicles;  
emissions

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to prohibit  
Vermont from using California's Clean Air Act waiver to set motor vehicle  
emission standards.



1 Sec. 2. 10 V.S.A. § 558 is amended to read:

2 § 558. EMISSION CONTROL REQUIREMENTS

3 The Secretary may establish such emission control requirements, by rule, as  
4 in ~~his or her~~ the Secretary's judgment may be necessary to prevent, abate, or  
5 control air pollution. The requirements may be for the State as a whole or may  
6 vary from area to area, as may be appropriate to facilitate accomplishment of  
7 the purposes of this chapter; and in order to take necessary or desirable account  
8 of varying local conditions. However, the Secretary shall not adopt the  
9 California rules for new motor vehicles authorized in the Clean Air Act,  
10 42 U.S.C. § 7507.

11 Sec. 3. 10 V.S.A. § 592 is amended to read:

12 § 592. THE VERMONT CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

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14 (e) The Plan shall form the basis for the rules adopted by the Secretary of  
15 Natural Resources pursuant to section 593 of this chapter. If the Council fails  
16 to adopt the Plan or update the Plan as required by this chapter, the Secretary  
17 shall proceed with adopting and implementing rules pursuant to subsection  
18 593(j) of this chapter to achieve the greenhouse gas emissions reductions  
19 requirements pursuant to section 578 of this title. However, in neither instance  
20 shall the Secretary adopt the California rules for new motor vehicles authorized  
21 in the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7507.

1       Sec. 4. RULE REPEAL

2           The Vermont Low Emission Vehicle and Zero Emission Vehicle Rules,  
3           Department of Environmental Conservation, Chapter 40: Vermont Low  
4           Emission Vehicle and Zero Emission Vehicle Rules (CVR 12-30-40) are  
5           repealed.

6       Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

7           This act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.