

This bill is very important for those of us who want or do own an EV. I've owned an EV since 2019. I have attempted to travel away from my community to the coast, to recreation areas. I've been hampered by the lack of EV charging outlets around the state despite the availability of private corporation's charging stations. The charging stations have been located in the most populous areas but never in cities like Manzanita or Seaside. Sometimes I can only find Tesla charging sites. I traveled to Washington state and found hotel with 6 EV outlets. EV charging infrastructure is essential if we are to encourage more people to purchase EV's.

I was very appreciative of the availability of the \$2500 rebate for my purchase of the EV. I believe that this program should continue. It made it far easier to sell my idea to my wife who didn't want such a vehicle.