

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2024 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 5212**

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Hillenbrand, Dittman, Shamblin, Moore, Ward, and  
Miller

[Introduced January 26, 2024; Referred to the  
Committee on Technology and Infrastructure then  
Finance]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
 2 designated §17-30-2, relating to requiring that new electric vehicle charging stations are  
 3 universally accessible.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 30. ELECTRIC VEHICLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

**§17-30-2. Electric vehicle charging stations shall be universal.**

1 (a) Any new vehicle charging stations for electric or plug in hybrid vehicles installed in the  
 2 state of West Virginia for public use, after January 1, 2025, must be universal and be able to  
 3 charge any vehicle manufactured after, July 1, 2024, by the following manufacturers:

- 4 (1) General Motors (Chevrolet, GMC, Cadillac, Buick)
- 5 (2) Ford Motor Company (Ford, Lincoln)
- 6 (3) Toyota Motor Corporation (Toyota, Lexus)
- 7 (4) Stellantis (formerly Fiat Chrysler Automobiles) (Jeep, Ram, Dodge, Chrysler, Fiat)
- 8 (5) Honda Motor Co., Ltd. (Honda, Acura)
- 9 (6) Hyundai Motor Group (Hyundai, Kia)
- 10 (7) Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. (Nissan, Infiniti)
- 11 (8) Subaru Corporation (Subaru)
- 12 (9) Volkswagen Group (Volkswagen, Audi, Porsche)
- 13 (10) BMW Group (BMW, Mini)
- 14 (11) Mercedes-Benz USA (Mercedes-Benz, smart)
- 15 (12) Mazda Motor Corporation (Mazda)
- 16 (13) Volvo Car Group (Volvo)
- 17 (14) Jaguar Land Rover Automotive (Jaguar, Land Rover)
- 18 (15) Mitsubishi Motors Corporation (Mitsubishi)
- 19 (16) Tesla, Inc. (Tesla) Genesis Motor (Genesis)
- 20 (17) Porsche Cars North America (Porsche)

21           (18) Genesis Motor (Genesis).  
22           (b) The Legislature finds that universal electric vehicle charging stations are like  
23 standardized fuel nozzles at gas stations. Universal electric vehicle charging stations are  
24 essential, ensuring that, like all gas stations accommodating every gasoline car, they can refuel all  
25 electric vehicle makes and models efficiently, regardless of their manufacturer. This will make  
26 West Virginia a better place for our citizens with electric vehicles.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require that new electric vehicle charging stations be universally accessible.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.