

HOUSE No. 2875

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradford Hill

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act codifying the electric vehicle consumer rebate program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>1/15/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>1/22/2019</i>

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By Mr. Hill of Ipswich, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2875) of Bradford Hill and Michael J. Soter that the Commissioner of the Department of Energy Resources establish a program providing rebates to consumers who purchase or lease qualifying plug-in electric vehicles. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1751 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**
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An Act codifying the electric vehicle consumer rebate program.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 25A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 11I the following new section:—

3 Section 11J. (a) The commissioner is hereby authorized and directed to establish a
4 program providing rebates to consumers who purchase or lease a qualifying plug-in electric
5 vehicle. For the purpose of this , qualified vehicles are those that (1) are made by a manufacturer
6 primarily for use on public streets, roads and highways, (2) have not been modified from the
7 original manufacturer’s specifications, (3) have been acquired for use or lease by the consumer
8 and not for resale, (4) have a shipping weight not exceeding 8,500 pounds, (5) have a speed
9 capability of at least 55 miles per hour, (6) are capable of being recharged from an external

10 source of electricity and (7) must be propelled to a significant extent by an electric motor that
11 draws electricity from a battery. The initial rebate for vehicles with a battery capacity of 10
12 kilowatt-hours or more shall be up to \$2,500. The rebate for vehicles with a battery capacity of
13 not less than 4 kilowatt-hours, but less than 10 kilowatt-hours shall be up to \$1,500.

14 (b) The commissioner is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to
15 administer the rebate program established in this section.