

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3398**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Steven Owens*

*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 funding the transition to electric vehicles.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven Owens</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/18/2023</i>
<i>Lydia Edwards</i>	<i>Third Suffolk</i>	<i>3/7/2023</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>3/14/2023</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>4/5/2023</i>

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By Representative Owens of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3398) of Steven Owens and Lydia Edwards relative to funding the transition to electric vehicles by the imposition of certain registration fees. Transportation.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**

An Act funding the transition to electric vehicles.

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

1 Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after 33B the following section:-

3 Section 33C. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context  
4 clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:-

5 “Eligible vehicle,” a passenger vehicle that is neither a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle  
6 with an all-electric range of 25 miles or greater nor a battery electric vehicle and whose model  
7 has a final sales price of \$60,000 or greater.

8 (b) The registrar shall impose an additional fee on the registration of an eligible vehicle  
9 that is leased or purchased new. The fee shall not be imposed on the renewal of the registration  
10 of an eligible vehicle.

11 (c) The registrar, in consultation with the department of energy resources, shall set a  
12 formula to determine the size of the fee for each model of eligible vehicle. In setting the formula,  
13 the registrar shall consider the eligible vehicle's: (1) final sales price; (2) weight; and (3) and any  
14 other criteria the registrar deems necessary to consider to promote equity and ensure that the fees  
15 do not unduly burden low-income residents. The fee imposed on an eligible vehicle shall not  
16 exceed \$3,500 for a purchased vehicle and shall not exceed \$100 for each month in the term of  
17 the lease or \$3,500 total for a leased vehicle.

18 (d) The fees received under this section shall be deposited into the Electric Vehicle  
19 Adoption Incentive Trust Fund established in section 19 of chapter 25A.

20 (e) The registrar shall promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to  
21 administer this section by not later than December 31, 2023.