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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE USE OF ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLE CHARGING**
102 **STATIONS FOR PARKING A MOTOR VEHICLE.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill authorizes the owner of a plug-in electric motor vehicle (electric vehicle) charging station to install a sign that identifies the station. If the sign is installed, a person is prohibited from:

- ! Parking in the space if the vehicle is not an electric vehicle;
- and
- ! Using the charging station for parking if the electric vehicle

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Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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is not charging.

An electric vehicle is rebuttably presumed to not be charging if the electric vehicle is parked in a charging station and is not electrically connected to the charger for longer than 30 minutes. A person may park an electric vehicle at a charging station after the electric vehicle is fully charged in a parking lot:

- ! That serves a lodging business if the person is a client of the lodging business and has parked the electric vehicle in the lot to charge overnight;
- ! That serves an airport if the person is a client of the airport and has parked the electric vehicle in the lot to charge when traveling; or
- ! Between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.

The penalty for a violation is a \$350 fine and a \$64 surcharge.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-1-102, **add** (69.5)

3 as follows:

4 **42-1-102. Definitions.** As used in articles 1 to 4 of this title 42,
5 unless the context otherwise requires:

6 (69.5) "PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLE" MEANS:

7 (a) A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS RECEIVED AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT
8 OF CERTIFICATION FROM THE FEDERAL INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE THAT
9 THE VEHICLE QUALIFIES FOR THE PLUG-IN ELECTRIC DRIVE VEHICLE CREDIT
10 SET FORTH IN 26 U.S.C. SEC. 30D, AS AMENDED, OR ANY SUCCESSOR
11 STATUTE; OR

12 (b) ANY MOTOR VEHICLE THAT CAN BE RECHARGED FROM AN
13 EXTERNAL SOURCE OF ELECTRICITY AND THAT USES ELECTRICITY STORED
14 IN A RECHARGEABLE BATTERY PACK TO PROPEL OR CONTRIBUTE TO THE
15 PROPULSION OF THE VEHICLE'S DRIVE WHEELS.

16 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-304, **repeal**
17 (25)(c) as follows:

1 **42-3-304. Registration fees - passenger and passenger-mile**
2 **taxes - clean screen fund - definitions - repeal.** (25) (c) As used in this
3 section, "~~plug-in electric motor vehicle~~" means:

4 ~~(I) A motor vehicle that has received an acknowledgment of~~
5 ~~certification from the federal internal revenue service that the vehicle~~
6 ~~qualifies for the plug-in electric drive vehicle credit set forth in 26 U.S.C.~~
7 ~~sec. 30D, or any successor section; or~~

8 ~~(II) Any motor vehicle that can be recharged from any external~~
9 ~~source of electricity and the electricity stored in a rechargeable battery~~
10 ~~pack propels or contributes to propel the vehicle's drive wheels.~~

11 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 42-4-1213 as
12 follows:

13 **42-4-1213. Parking in electric motor vehicle charging stations.**

14 (1) THE OWNER OF PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY MAY INSTALL OFFICIAL
15 SIGNS THAT IDENTIFY A PARKING SPACE AS A CHARGING STATION. THE
16 INSTALLATION OPERATES AS A WAIVER OF ANY OBJECTION THE OWNER
17 MAY ASSERT CONCERNING ENFORCEMENT OF THIS SECTION BY A PEACE
18 OFFICER. A PEACE OFFICER MAY ENFORCE THIS SECTION ON PRIVATE
19 PROPERTY.

20 (2) (a) A PERSON SHALL NOT PARK A MOTOR VEHICLE WITHIN A
21 PARKING SPACE DESIGNATED FOR CHARGING A PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR
22 VEHICLE UNLESS THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS A PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR
23 VEHICLE.

24 (b) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (3) OF THIS SECTION, A
25 PERSON SHALL NOT PARK A PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLE AT A
26 CHARGING STATION UNLESS THE PERSON IS PARKED IN THE CHARGING
27 STATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHARGING THE PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR

1 VEHICLE.

2 (c) A PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLE IS REBUTTABLY
3 PRESUMED TO NOT BE CHARGING IF THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS:

4 (I) PARKED IN A CHARGING STATION; AND

5 (II) NOT CONTINUOUSLY AND ELECTRICALLY CONNECTED TO THE
6 CHARGER FOR LONGER THAN THIRTY MINUTES.

7 (3) (a) A PERSON MAY PARK A PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLE
8 AT A CHARGING STATION AFTER THE MOTOR VEHICLE IS FULLY CHARGED
9 IN A PARKING LOT:

10 (I) THAT SERVES A LODGING BUSINESS IF THE PERSON IS A CLIENT
11 OF THE LODGING BUSINESS AND HAS PARKED THE PLUG-IN ELECTRIC
12 MOTOR VEHICLE IN THE LOT TO CHARGE OVERNIGHT;

13 (II) THAT SERVES AN AIRPORT IF THE PERSON IS A CLIENT OF THE
14 AIRPORT AND HAS PARKED THE PLUG-IN ELECTRIC MOTOR VEHICLE IN THE
15 LOT TO CHARGE WHEN TRAVELING; OR

16 (III) BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11 P.M. AND 5 A.M.

17 (b) THE EXCEPTION IN SUBSECTION (3)(a) OF THIS SECTION IS AN
18 AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE TO A VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS
19 SECTION.

20 (4) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION COMMITS A CLASS B
21 TRAFFIC INFRACTION.

22 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-1701, **amend**
23 (4)(a)(I)(M) as follows:

24 **42-4-1701. Traffic offenses and infractions classified -**
25 **penalties - penalty and surcharge schedule - repeal.** (4) (a) (I) Except
26 as provided in subsection (5)(c) of this section, every person who is
27 convicted of, who admits liability for, or against whom a judgment is

1 entered for a violation of this title 42 to which subsection (5)(a) or (5)(b)
 2 of this section applies shall be fined or penalized and have a surcharge
 3 levied in accordance with sections 24-4.1-119 (1)(f) and 24-4.2-104
 4 (1)(b)(I), in accordance with the penalty and surcharge schedule set forth
 5 in subsections (4)(a)(I)(A) to (4)(a)(I)(P) of this section; or, if no penalty
 6 or surcharge is specified in the schedule, the penalty for class A and class
 7 B traffic infractions is fifteen dollars, and the surcharge is four dollars.
 8 These penalties and surcharges apply whether the defendant
 9 acknowledges the defendant's guilt or liability in accordance with the
 10 procedure set forth by subsection (5)(a) of this section, is found guilty by
 11 a court of competent jurisdiction, or has judgment entered against the
 12 defendant by a county court magistrate. Penalties and surcharges for
 13 violating specific sections are as follows:

14	Section Violated	Penalty	Surcharge
15	(M) Parking violations:		
16	42-4-1201	\$ 30.00	\$ 6.00
17	42-4-1202	30.00	6.00
18	42-4-1204	15.00	6.00
19	42-4-1205	15.00	6.00
20	42-4-1206	15.00	6.00
21	42-4-1207	15.00	6.00
22	42-4-1208 (3)(b), (3)(c),		
23	and (3)(d)	150.00	32.00
24	42-4-1213	350.00	64.00

25 **SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
 26 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following
 27 the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the

1 general assembly (August 2, 2019, if adjournment sine die is on May 3,
2 2019); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1
3 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section,
4 or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part
5 will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election
6 to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the
7 date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

8 (2) This act applies to offenses committed on or after the
9 applicable effective date of this act.