

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended by
5 changing Section 52.10 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 5/52.10)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2022)

8 Sec. 52.10. Electric Vehicle Permitting Task Force.

9 (a) The Electric Vehicle Permitting Task Force is hereby
10 created within the Environmental Protection Agency.

11 (b) The Task Force shall consist of the following members,
12 which shall represent the diversity of the people of Illinois:

13 (1) The Director of the Environmental Protection
14 Agency or his or her designee;

15 (2) The Director of Natural Resources or his or her
16 designee;

17 (3) The Secretary of Transportation or their designee;

18 (4) Nine ~~8~~ members appointed by the Governor as
19 follows:

20 (A) one member of a statewide organization
21 representing manufacturers;

22 (B) one member of a statewide organization
23 representing business interests;

1 (C) one member representing an environmental
2 justice organization;

3 (D) one member representing a statewide
4 environmental advocacy organization;

5 (E) one member representing the electric vehicle
6 industry;

7 (F) one member representing the waste management
8 industry;

9 (G) one member of a statewide organization
10 representing agricultural interests; ~~and~~

11 (H) one member representing a labor organization;

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13 (I) one member representing a statewide
14 organization of municipalities as authorized under
15 Section 1-8-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code; and

16 (J) one member from an association representing
17 automobile manufacturers.

18 (c) The duties and responsibilities of the Task Force
19 include the following:

20 (1) identify existing and potential challenges faced
21 by the electric vehicle industry with respect to the
22 process for obtaining necessary permits from the
23 Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Natural
24 Resources, and the Department of Transportation, and
25 potential solutions;

26 (2) conduct an assessment of State permitting fees,

1 including those necessary for electric vehicle investment
2 in Illinois, and the revenue generated by those fees;

3 (3) assess the permitting needs of the electric
4 vehicle industry, including electric vehicle
5 manufacturers, electric vehicle power supply equipment
6 manufacturers, and electric vehicle component parts
7 manufacturers;

8 (4) recommend changes to expedite permitting processes
9 to support the rapid growth of the electric vehicle
10 industry in Illinois, including support for electric
11 vehicle businesses locating or relocating in Illinois;

12 (5) analyze anticipated staffing needs across State
13 agencies to support expedited permitting efforts;

14 (6) recommend adjustments to the fee structure for
15 state permits, including those permits necessary for
16 electric vehicle investment in Illinois, that will support
17 increased staffing at state agencies;

18 (7) Consider the impact of State and local permitting
19 issues on electric vehicle charging station deployments,
20 and make recommendations on best practices to streamline
21 permitting related to electric vehicle charging stations;
22 and

23 (8) recommend legislative and regulatory actions that
24 are necessary to support changes to permitting processes.

25 (d) The Task Force shall not consider or recommend changes
26 to environmental permitting standards outside of the scope of

1 the duties and responsibilities outlined in subsection (c).

2 (e) Appointments for the Task Force shall be made no later
3 than December 15, 2021. The Task Force shall issue a final
4 report based upon its findings and recommendations and submit
5 the report to the Governor and the General Assembly no later
6 than March 1, 2022.

7 (f) Members of the Task Force shall serve without
8 compensation. The Environmental Protection Agency shall
9 provide administrative support to the Task Force.

10 (g) The Task Force shall be dissolved upon the filing of
11 its report.

12 (h) This Section is repealed on December 31, 2022.

13 (Source: P.A. 102-669, eff. 11-16-21.)