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**SENATE BILL 5746**

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**By** Senators J. Wilson, Christian, Chapman, Nobles, and Salomon

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1 AN ACT Relating to creating an advisory committee on electric  
2 vehicle charger infrastructure property crime; adding a new chapter  
3 to Title 43 RCW; and providing an expiration date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The department of commerce, along with  
6 the department of transportation, shall convene an advisory committee  
7 on electric vehicle charger infrastructure property crime that is  
8 established with members as provided in this section. The advisory  
9 committee must include at least:

10 (a) One representative of the Washington state attorney general's  
11 office;

12 (b) One representative of a law enforcement agency or association  
13 whereby electric vehicle charger property crime is impacting the  
14 agency's or association's jurisdiction specializing in theft  
15 prevention or property crimes;

16 (c) One representative of a recycled materials association or  
17 trade organization operating in the state of Washington with  
18 experience in nonferrous metals recycling;

19 (d) Two representatives from the electric vehicle services  
20 equipment industry whereby both level 2 and level 3 charging  
21 providers are included;

1 (e) One representative from a local governmental agency or  
2 association representing a city whereby electric vehicle charger  
3 property crime is impacting the agency's or association's community;

4 (f) One representative from a power utility whereby electric  
5 vehicle charger property crime is impacting the utility's service  
6 territory;

7 (g) One representative from a county whereby electric vehicle  
8 charger property crime is impacting the county;

9 (h) Two representatives of a neighborhood or community advocacy  
10 group from communities heavily impacted by metal theft or illegal  
11 recycling activities; and

12 (i) One representative with technical expertise in the electric  
13 vehicle charging industry.

14 (2) The members of the advisory committee shall be appointed by  
15 the secretary of the department of commerce. Members must reflect the  
16 geographic, racial, and ethnic diversity of the state of Washington  
17 and be inclusive of historically marginalized communities.

18 (3) The advisory committee shall:

19 (a) Provide guidance and recommendations on actions to reduce  
20 instances of electric vehicle charger property crime in the state of  
21 Washington;

22 (b) Be available to respond to Washington legislator questions or  
23 requests related to electric vehicle charger property crime;

24 (c) Submit an annual report detailing its findings,  
25 recommendations, and activities to the appropriate committees of the  
26 legislature and the governor by December 1st of each year.

27 (4) The advisory committee members shall preserve the right to  
28 maintain and protect trade secrets, subject to existing trade secret  
29 laws and rules.

30 (5) The department of commerce and the department of  
31 transportation shall regularly consult with the advisory committee.  
32 The department of commerce shall convene the advisory committee for  
33 its initial meeting by November 1, 2025. The advisory committee shall  
34 be staffed by the department of commerce.

35 (6) This section expires December 31, 2030.

36 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Section 1 of this act constitutes a new  
37 chapter in Title 43 RCW.

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