

HB 1332-FN - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL ***1332-FN***

AN ACT relative to prohibiting electric vehicles from parking in parking garages.

SPONSORS: Rep. Proulx, Hills. 15; Rep. Bernardy, Rock. 36; Rep. Hobson, Rock. 14

COMMITTEE: Transportation

ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits the parking of electric vehicles in parking garages.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Four

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Paragraph; Electric Vehicle Garage Parking. Amend RSA 265:69 by inserting after
2 paragraph III the following new paragraph:

3 IV. Park an electric vehicle in any parking garage. Any violation of this provision shall be
4 reported to the police department upon discovery of the vehicle and shall result in a fine issued by
5 the town, city or municipal police department having jurisdiction over the parking garage. The
6 amount of the fine shall be determined by each department, to be applied consistently for violations
7 of this paragraph.

8 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

**HB 1332-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT: ☐ State ☐ County ☒ Local ☐ None

Estimated Political Subdivision Impact - Increase / (Decrease)				
	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Local Revenue	Indeterminable Decrease	Indeterminable Decrease	Indeterminable Decrease	Indeterminable Decrease
Local Expenditures	Indeterminable Increase	Indeterminable Increase	Indeterminable Increase	Indeterminable Increase

METHODOLOGY:

This bill prohibits electric vehicles from parking in parking garages and requires a fine to be issued by the town, city or municipal police department for any violation of this bill.

The New Hampshire Municipal Association (NHMA) states this bill bans electric vehicles from parking garages, requiring municipalities to enforce this ban. However, due to the lack of data on the percentage of electric vehicles using municipal garages and the probability of non-electric vehicles using these spaces, it's impossible to estimate the revenue impact accurately. It is anticipated that revenue would decrease, but the extent is indeterminable due to these limitations. The decrease in revenue would potentially be offset by the increase in fines paid.

The NHMA also states, municipalities will need to consider if alternative parking for electric vehicles will be needed with the expected increase of electric vehicle numbers. This may lead to the need for new parking spaces, either public or private, incurring expenses related to planning, zoning, construction, and land acquisition. The exact cost is unknown, as it depends on individual municipal decisions.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

New Hampshire Municipal Association