
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 4414

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1 WHEREAS, Autonomous vehicle technology is rapidly evolving and
2 the testing and deployment of autonomous vehicle technology is
3 advancing at a rapid pace; and

4 WHEREAS, Washington state's policies, laws, and rules predate
5 autonomous vehicle technology and largely have not been developed in
6 consideration of the operation of this technology on state roadways;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Efforts are underway at both the federal and state level
9 to begin to establish a framework of policy guidance, laws, rules,
10 and regulations that will organize and govern the use of autonomous
11 vehicle technology in the United States;

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the house of representatives
13 of the state of Washington, the senate concurring, That a joint
14 select committee on autonomous vehicle technology policy be
15 established; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That membership of the joint select
17 committee consist of the following: (1) The chairs and ranking
18 members, or their designees, of the transportation, state government,
19 public safety, and technology and economic development committees, or
20 their successor committees, of the house of representatives; and (2)
21 the chairs and ranking members, or their designees, of the
22 transportation, state government, law and justice, and economic

1 development and international trade committees, or their successor
2 committees, of the senate; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee member
4 with the longest uninterrupted tenure in the legislature who
5 represents one of the two largest caucuses in the legislature is
6 cochair of the joint select committee with the member of the other
7 chamber with the next longest uninterrupted tenure in the legislature
8 who represents the other of the two largest caucuses in the
9 legislature; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all meetings of the joint select
11 committee be scheduled and conducted in accordance with the
12 requirements of both the house of representatives and the senate.
13 Meetings must be conducted separately from regularly scheduled
14 interim meetings of other legislative committees; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee monitor
16 efforts to further the development of autonomous vehicle technology
17 policy by the state transportation commission, additional Washington
18 state agencies, other states, and the federal government. Areas for
19 consideration may include, but are not limited to, manufacturer
20 vehicle testing, vehicle registration and titling requirements,
21 driver's license requirements, rules of the road, criminal law,
22 roadway infrastructure, traffic management, transit, vehicle
23 insurance, tort liability, cybersecurity, privacy, advertising,
24 impacts to social services, and impacts to labor and small
25 businesses; and

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That staff support to the joint select
27 committee be provided by the house of representatives office of
28 program research and senate committee services. The joint select
29 committee may request additional technical support from state
30 agencies on developments in these areas as needed; and

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That legislative members of the joint
32 select committee be reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with
33 RCW 44.04.120, and that expenses of the committee be paid jointly by
34 the house of representatives and the senate. Committee expenditures
35 and meetings are subject to approval by the house of representatives
36 executive rules committee and the senate facilities and operations
37 committee, or their successor committees; and

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee report
39 its findings and recommendations and, as necessary, propose
40 legislation to address policy needs related to the operation of

1 autonomous vehicles on public roadways in the state to the
2 appropriate committees of the legislature; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint select committee on
4 autonomous vehicle technology policy expires December 31, 2023.

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