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ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5849

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By Senate Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Tom, Frockt, Keiser, Hatfield, and Kline)

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1 AN ACT Relating to electric vehicle charging stations; adding a new  
2 section to chapter 46.08 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.08 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) An electric vehicle charging station must be indicated by  
7 vertical signage identifying the station as an electric vehicle  
8 charging station and indicating that it is only for electric vehicle  
9 charging. The signage must be consistent with the manual on uniform  
10 traffic control devices, as adopted by the department of transportation  
11 under RCW 47.36.030. Additionally, the electric vehicle charging  
12 station must be indicated by green pavement markings. Supplementary  
13 signage may be posted to provide additional information including, but  
14 not limited to, the amount of the monetary penalty under subsection (2)  
15 of this section for parking in the station while not connected to the  
16 charging equipment.

17 (2) It is a parking infraction, with a monetary penalty of one  
18 hundred twenty-four dollars, for any person to park a vehicle in an  
19 electric vehicle charging station provided on public or private

1 property if the vehicle is not connected to the charging equipment.  
2 The parking infraction must be processed as prescribed under RCW  
3 3.50.100, 35.20.220, 46.16A.120, and 46.20.270(3).

4 (3) For purposes of this section, "electric vehicle charging  
5 station" means a public or private parking space that is served by  
6 charging equipment that has as its primary purpose the transfer of  
7 electric energy to a battery or other energy storage device in an  
8 electric vehicle.

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