
SENATE BILL 5812

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By Senators J. Wilson, Nguyen, Lovick, and McCune

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1 AN ACT Relating to responding to electric vehicle fires; creating
2 a new section; and making an appropriation.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The Washington state patrol, in
5 consultation with the department of ecology and local fire protection
6 districts, must study the following elements of electric vehicle
7 fires:

8 (a) Impacts to the environment and proximate residential areas,
9 and health impacts to responding firefighters;

10 (b) Best practices for fire response; and

11 (c) Best practices regarding clean-up and disposal efforts.

12 (2) By January 1, 2025, the Washington state patrol must report
13 to the appropriate committees of the legislature study findings and
14 any resulting policy or legislative recommendations.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The sum of \$150,000, or as much thereof as
16 may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium ending June 30,
17 2025, from the state patrol highway account to the Washington state
18 patrol for the purposes of this act.

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