

Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB819

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Lopez

3. Committee: Transportation

4. Title: Converted electric vehicles

5. Summary: This bill reduces from three inches to one inch the minimum height of lettering required on converted electric vehicles.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No fiscal impact. Preliminary.

8. Fiscal Implications: None.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Motor Vehicles, owners of converted electric vehicles, first responders.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: The current statutory equipment requirements for converted electric vehicles were enacted in 2012 and embody the recommendations of a stakeholder working group that was led by the Department of Motor Vehicles and included representatives from the Department of Environmental Quality, the insurance industry, law enforcement, and providers of emergency medical services. Although the working group agreed that converted electric vehicles should be labeled in order to help protect the safety of first responders, there was little detailed discussion of the appropriate height for this labeling. A three-inch standard was chosen largely because it was the same as the statutory standard for lettering on taxicabs.

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