

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. SJ0004

Phasing out new electric vehicle sales by 2035.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Anderson, Boner, Cooper and Dockstader and Representative(s) Burkhart and Henderson

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION expressing support for phasing out the  
2 sale of new electric vehicles in Wyoming by 2035.

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4 WHEREAS, oil and gas production has long been one of Wyoming's  
5 proud and valued industries; and

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7 WHEREAS, the oil and gas industry in Wyoming has created  
8 countless jobs and has contributed revenues to the state of  
9 Wyoming throughout the state's history; and

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11 WHEREAS, since its invention, the gas-powered vehicle has  
12 enabled the state's industries and businesses to engage in  
13 commerce and transport goods and resources more efficiently  
14 throughout the country; and

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2 WHEREAS, Wyoming's vast stretches of highway, coupled with a  
3 lack of electric vehicle charging infrastructure, make the  
4 widespread use of electric vehicles impracticable for the  
5 state; and

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7 WHEREAS, the batteries used in electric vehicles contain  
8 critical minerals whose domestic supply is limited and at  
9 risk for disruption; and

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11 WHEREAS, the critical minerals used in electric batteries are  
12 not easily recyclable or disposable, meaning that municipal  
13 landfills in Wyoming and elsewhere will be required to develop  
14 practices to dispose of these minerals in a safe and  
15 responsible manner; and

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17 WHEREAS, the expansion of electric vehicle charging stations  
18 in Wyoming and throughout the country necessary to support  
19 more electric vehicles will require massive amounts of new  
20 power generation in order to sustain the misadventure of  
21 electric vehicles; and

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1 WHEREAS, the United States has consistently invested in the  
2 oil and gas industry to sustain gas-powered vehicles, and  
3 that investment has resulted in the continued employment of  
4 thousands of people in the oil and gas industry in Wyoming  
5 and throughout the country; and

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7 WHEREAS, fossil fuels, including oil and petroleum products,  
8 will continue to be vital for transporting goods and people  
9 across Wyoming and the United States for years to come; and

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11 WHEREAS, the proliferation of electric vehicles at the  
12 expense of gas-powered vehicles will have deleterious impacts  
13 on Wyoming's communities and will be detrimental to Wyoming's  
14 economy and the ability for the country to efficiently engage  
15 in commerce; and

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17 WHEREAS, phasing out the sale of new electric vehicles in  
18 Wyoming by 2035 will ensure the stability of Wyoming's oil  
19 and gas industry and will help preserve the country's critical  
20 minerals for vital purposes.

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22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE  
23 LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING:

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2           **Section 1.** That the legislature encourages and  
3 expresses as a goal that the sale of new electric vehicles in  
4 the state of Wyoming be phased out by 2035.

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6           **Section 2.** That the legislature encourages Wyoming's  
7 industries and citizens to limit the sale and purchase of new  
8 electric vehicles in Wyoming with a goal of phasing out the  
9 sale of new electric vehicles in Wyoming by 2035.

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11           **Section 3.** That the Secretary of State of Wyoming  
12 transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the  
13 United States, each member of Wyoming's congressional  
14 delegation, the President of the United States Senate, the  
15 Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the  
16 governor of Wyoming and the governor of California.

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