118TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION



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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. FISCHER (for herself, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. CORNYN, and Ms. LUMMIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_\_

## A BILL

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1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-

2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

## **3** SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

4 This Act may be cited as the "Stop EV Freeloading5 Act".

6 SEC. 2. TAX ON SALE OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND BAT-

- 7 **TERIES.**
- 8 (a) Imposition of Tax.—

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| 1  | (1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter A of chapter 32                  |
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| 2  | of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by          |
| 3  | adding at the end the following new part:                   |
| 4  | "PART IV-ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND BATTERIES                    |
|    | "Sec. 4091. Tax on Electric Vehicles and Batteries.         |
| 5  | "SEC. 4091. TAX ON ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND BATTERIES.         |
| 6  | "(a) BATTERY MODULE.—There is hereby imposed                |
| 7  | a tax equal to \$550 on each battery module with a weight   |
| 8  | of greater than 1,000 pounds which is—                      |
| 9  | "(1) sold by the manufacturer, producer, or im-             |
| 10 | porter thereof, and   |
| 11 | "(2) intended for use in an electric vehicle.               |
| 12 | "(b) ELECTRIC VEHICLES.—There is hereby imposed             |
| 13 | a tax equal to \$1,000 on each electric vehicle sold by the |
| 14 | manufacturer, producer, or importer thereof.                |
| 15 | "(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—                          |
| 16 | "(1) BATTERY MODULE.—The term 'battery                      |
| 17 | module' has the same meaning given such term in             |
| 18 | section $45X(c)(5)(B)(iii)$ .                               |
| 19 | "(2) Electric vehicle.—                                     |
| 20 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'electric ve-                     |
| 21 | hicle' means a light-duty vehicle which satisfies           |
| 22 | the requirements under section $30D(d)(1)(F)$ .             |
| 23 | "(B) EXCEPTION FOR HYBRID VEHI-                             |
| 24 | CLES.—The term 'electric vehicle' shall not in-             |

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| 1  | clude any motor vehicle which draws propulsion          |
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| 2  | energy from onboard sources of stored energy            |
| 3  | which are both—   |
| 4  | "(i) an internal combustion or heat                     |
| 5  | engine using consumable fuel, and                       |
| 6  | "(ii) a rechargeable energy storage                     |
| 7  | system.   |
| 8  | "(3) LIGHT-DUTY VEHICLE.—The term 'light-               |
| 9  | duty vehicle' means a motor vehicle, as defined in      |
| 10 | section $30D(d)(2)$ , which has a gross vehicle weight  |
| 11 | rating of less than 8,500 pounds.".                     |
| 12 | (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of                    |
| 13 | parts for subchapter A of chapter 32 of the Internal    |
| 14 | Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the        |
| 15 | end the following new item:                             |
|    | "PART IV—ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND BATTERIES".              |
| 16 | (b) TRANSFER OF REVENUE TO HIGHWAY TRUST                |
| 17 | Fund.—Section $9503(b)(1)$ of the Internal Revenue Code |
| 18 | of 1986 is amended—                                     |
| 19 | (1) in subparagraph (D), by striking "and" at           |
| 20 | the end,  |
| 21 | (2) by redesignating subparagraph (E) as sub-           |
| 22 | paragraph (F), and                                      |
| 23 | (3) by inserting after subparagraph (D) the fol-        |
| 24 | lowing new subparagraph:                                |
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 "(E) section 4091 (relating to tax on electric vehicles and batteries), and".
(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
this section shall apply to sales after December 31, 2023.