



SUPPORT

S. 4977/A. 3779 (Harckham/Fahy)

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to certificates of registration for entities that manufacture or assemble zero emissions vehicles and have no franchised motor vehicle dealers in New York.

The New York League of Conservation Voters supports S.4977/A. 3779 (Harckham/Fahy), which would increase the certificates of registration for entities that manufacture or assemble zero emissions vehicles (ZEVs) to open sales locations in New York State.

In New York State, 36% of greenhouse gas emissions come from transportation. These emissions are also linked to childhood asthma and other severe health issues. The transition to 100% ZEVs could save \$4 billion in avoided health impact costs, prevent over 350 premature deaths, and avoid over five thousand asthma attacks by 2050. However, New York is falling behind in its transportation emission reduction goals, with just 75,000 ZEVs on the road statewide. There are currently only five direct sales locations in New York State for ZEV manufacturers, all but one of them located downstate. This is due to an artificial cap on such locations in law that is preventing multiple new ZEV manufacturers from entering the New York market.

S. 4977/A. 3779 would lift the artificial cap on direct sales locations for ZEV manufacturers, thereby making it easier for New Yorkers to purchase the ZEVs that they want and getting New York back on track to achieve its transportation and climate goals. For these reasons, the New York League of Conservation Voters strongly urges passage of S. 4977/A. 3779.

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