

PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA

Senate Select Committee on Electric Vehicles

New senate committee plugged in and ready to charge

The Senate has established a select committee to inquire into the use and manufacture of electric vehicles in Australia. The committee has been charged with investigating the following:

- a) the potential economic, environmental and social benefits of widespread electric vehicle uptake in Australia;
- b) opportunities for electric vehicle manufacturing and electric vehicle supply and value chain services in Australia, and related economic benefits;
- c) measures to support the acceleration of electric vehicle uptake;
- d) measures to attract electric vehicle manufacturing and electric vehicle supply and value chain manufacturing to Australia;
- e) how federal, state and territory Governments could work together to support electric vehicle uptake and manufacturing, supply, and value chain activities; and
- f) any other related matters.

"We are on the cusp of the biggest disruption to our transport system since the advent of the internal combustion engine" said committee Chair Senator Tim Storer.

"Australia is uniquely placed to take a leading role in this transformation. This committee will lend much needed momentum and leadership to this issue at the Federal level."

"With the right policies and incentives, we can create local jobs, generate economic growth, and deliver cheaper and cleaner vehicles to consumers."

The committee is seeking written submissions as part of its inquiry. Anyone interested in issues relating to electric car use and manufacture in Australia is encouraged to send a written submission to the inquiry. Submissions could be made by industry, academics, and regulatory agencies.

Submissions are due by Friday 27 July 2018, however, late submissions may be considered. Submissions can be uploaded via the committee website or emailed to the committee. If you would like to make a submission you may find it helpful to read the guide to making a submission available on the Senate website: <u>Preparing a submission to an inquiry</u>. If you have questions, or need more time to write your submission, please contact the secretariat.

The committee website is under development and will be: <u>www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Electric_Vehicles</u>

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DATE REFERRED 27 June 2018

SUBMISSIONS CLOSE 27 July 2018

NEXT HEARINGS TBC

REPORTING DATE 17 October 2018

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

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