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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. SMITH, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. MERKLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## 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 “Green Spaces, Green  
5       Vehicles Act of 2019”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) **APPROPRIATE AGENCY HEAD.**—The term  
4 “appropriate agency head” means—

5 (A) the Secretary of Agriculture, acting  
6 through the Chief of the Forest Service, with  
7 respect to National Forest System land; and

8 (B) the Secretary of the Interior, acting  
9 through the Director of the National Park  
10 Service, with respect to National Park System  
11 land.

12 (2) **APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-**  
13 **GRESS.**—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
14 gress” means—

15 (A) the Committee on Energy and Com-  
16 merce of the House of Representatives;

17 (B) the Committee on Natural Resources  
18 of the House of Representatives;

19 (C) the Committee on Appropriations of  
20 the House of Representatives;

21 (D) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
22 Resources of the Senate; and

23 (E) the Committee on Appropriations of  
24 the Senate.

25 (3) **COVERED LAND.**—The term “covered land”  
26 means—

1 (A) National Forest System land;

2 (B) National Park System land; and

3 (C) any land owned by a unit of local gov-  
4 ernment or Indian Tribe (as defined in section  
5 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-  
6 cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5304))—

7 (i) that is located not more than 25  
8 miles from land described in subparagraph  
9 (A) or (B); and

10 (ii) with respect to which the Sec-  
11 retary or an appropriate agency head has  
12 entered into an agreement with the owner  
13 of the land for the installation of zero-  
14 emissions vehicle infrastructure on the  
15 land, after making a determination that  
16 the infrastructure to be installed under the  
17 agreement is related to providing zero-  
18 emissions vehicles with access to land de-  
19 scribed in subparagraph (A) or (B).

20 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
21 the Secretary of Energy, acting through the Assist-  
22 ant Secretary for Energy Efficiency and Renewable  
23 Energy.

24 (5) ZERO-EMISSIONS VEHICLE INFRASTRUC-  
25 TURE.—The term “zero-emissions vehicle infrastruc-

1       ture” means infrastructure used to charge or fuel a  
2       zero-emissions vehicle.

3               (6) ZERO-EMISSIONS VEHICLE.—The term  
4       “zero-emissions vehicle” means—

5               (A) a zero-emission vehicle (as defined in  
6               section 88.102–94 of title 40, Code of Federal  
7               Regulations (or successor regulations)); or

8               (B) a vehicle that produces zero exhaust  
9               emissions of any criteria pollutant (or precursor  
10              pollutant) or greenhouse gas under any possible  
11              operational modes or conditions.

12 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF GREEN SPACES, GREEN VEHI-**  
13 **CLES INITIATIVE.**

14       (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary and the appro-  
15       priate agency heads shall collaborate on an initiative, to  
16       be known as the “Green Spaces, Green Vehicles Initia-  
17       tive”, to facilitate the installation and use of zero-emis-  
18       sions vehicle infrastructure on covered land.

19       (b) DUTIES.—The Secretary and the appropriate  
20       agency heads shall facilitate the installation and use of  
21       zero-emissions vehicle infrastructure on covered land—

22              (1) by entering into agreements with public,  
23              private, or nonprofit entities for the acquisition, in-  
24              stallation, and operation, including use-fee proc-  
25              essing and collection, on covered land of publicly ac-

1        cessible zero-emissions vehicle infrastructure that is  
2        directly related to the charging or fueling of a vehi-  
3        cle in accordance with this section;

4            (2) by acquiring, in coordination with the Ad-  
5        ministrator of General Services, zero-emissions vehi-  
6        cles, including shuttle vehicles, for the fleets of the  
7        Forest Service and the National Park Service;

8            (3) by providing information to the public, in-  
9        cluding by publishing a map on any relevant agency  
10       website, regarding the availability of existing and  
11       planned zero-emissions vehicle infrastructure on cov-  
12       ered land; and

13           (4) by allowing for the use of charging infra-  
14       structure by employees of the Forest Service and the  
15       National Park Service to charge vehicles used by the  
16       employees in commuting to or from work.

17        (c) CONSIDERATIONS.—In determining the location  
18       for zero-emissions vehicle infrastructure acquired and in-  
19       stalled on covered land under subsection (b), the Secretary  
20       and the appropriate agency heads shall consider whether  
21       a proposed location would—

22            (1) complement, to the extent feasible, alter-  
23       native fueling corridor networks established under  
24       section 151 of title 23, United States Code;

1           (2) meet current or anticipated market de-  
2           mands for charging or fueling infrastructure;

3           (3) enable or accelerate the construction of  
4           charging or fueling infrastructure that would be un-  
5           likely to be completed without Federal assistance;  
6           and

7           (4) support the use of zero-emissions vehicles  
8           by Federal fleets and visitors to Federal facilities.

9           (d) LOCATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE.—Any zero-  
10          emissions vehicle infrastructure acquired, installed, or op-  
11          erated under subsection (b) shall be located on covered  
12          land.

13          (e) FUNDING.—

14           (1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
15          There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
16          this section \$50,000,000 for each fiscal year.

17           (2) LIMITATIONS ON USE OF FUNDS.—

18           (A) FEDERAL FLEETS.—Not more than 20  
19          percent of any funds appropriated to carry out  
20          this section may be used to acquire zero-emis-  
21          sions vehicles under subsection (b)(2).

22           (B) URBANIZED AREAS.—Not more than  
23          30 percent of any funds appropriated to carry  
24          out this section may be used to acquire, install,  
25          or operate zero-emissions vehicle infrastructure

1 in an urbanized area (as designated by the Bu-  
 2 reau of the Census).

3 (C) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Not more  
 4 than 2 percent of any funds appropriated to  
 5 carry out this section may be used for adminis-  
 6 trative costs.

7 **SEC. 4. AGREEMENTS FOR SHUTTLE OR OTHER TRANSPOR-**  
 8 **TATION SERVICES ON NATIONAL FOREST**  
 9 **SYSTEM LAND AND NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM**  
 10 **LAND.**

11 In entering into an agreement with an entity to pro-  
 12 vide shuttle or other transportation services on or to cov-  
 13 ered land, an appropriate agency head shall give priority  
 14 consideration to an entity that would provide the applica-  
 15 ble services using zero-emissions vehicles.

16 **SEC. 5. ALTERNATIVE FUEL USE BY LIGHT DUTY FEDERAL**  
 17 **VEHICLES.**

18 Section 400AA(a) of the Energy Policy and Con-  
 19 servation Act (42 U.S.C. 6374(a)) is amended by adding  
 20 at the end the following:

21 “(5) For purposes of making a determination  
 22 under paragraph (1) as to whether the acquisition of  
 23 alternative fueled vehicles is practicable for the fleet  
 24 of the Forest Service or the National Park Service,  
 25 the Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of

1 Agriculture or the Secretary of the Interior, as ap-  
2 plicable, shall take into account the availability on  
3 National Forest System land or National Park Sys-  
4 tem land, as applicable, of zero-emissions vehicle in-  
5 frastructure (as defined in section 2 of the Green  
6 Spaces, Green Vehicles Act of 2019) acquired and  
7 installed under section 3 of the Green Spaces, Green  
8 Vehicles Act of 2019.

9 “(6)(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of  
10 law, the Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary  
11 of Agriculture or the Secretary of the Interior, as  
12 applicable, shall develop a strategy to, by 2030, in-  
13 crease the number of zero-emissions vehicles (as de-  
14 fined in section 2 of the Green Spaces, Green Vehi-  
15 cles Act of 2019) in the fleet and shuttle operations  
16 of each of the Forest Service and the National Park  
17 Service to the greater of—

18 “(i) a number that is equal to 125 percent  
19 of the number of zero-emissions vehicles in the  
20 fleet and shuttle operations of each agency on  
21 the date of enactment of this paragraph; and

22 “(ii) a number that is equal to 25 percent  
23 of all vehicles in the fleet and shuttle operations  
24 of each agency.



1 “(B) The strategy developed under subpara-  
2 graph (A) shall be updated not less frequently than  
3 once every 2 years.”.

4 **SEC. 6. REPORT.**

5 Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment  
6 of this Act, and biennially thereafter, the Secretary and  
7 the appropriate agency heads shall submit to the appro-  
8 priate committees of Congress a report that describes—

9 (1) the location of—

10 (A) any zero-emissions vehicle infrastruc-  
11 ture acquired, installed, or operated, or planned  
12 to be acquired, installed, or operated, under sec-  
13 tion 3(b)(1); and

14 (B) any zero-emissions vehicles acquired  
15 for the fleet of the Forest Service or the Na-  
16 tional Park Service under section 3(b)(2);

17 (2) the amount of Federal funds expended to  
18 carry out each duty under section 3(b);

19 (3) any allocation of costs or benefits between  
20 the Federal Government and private or nonprofit en-  
21 tities under an agreement entered into by the Sec-  
22 retary or the appropriate agency heads under section  
23 3(b)(1);

24 (4) the justifications for the expenditure of  
25 funds to carry out section 3 during the period cov-

1       ered by the report, including, with respect to any  
2       zero-emissions vehicle infrastructure installed during  
3       the period covered by the report, an analysis of each  
4       of the considerations under section 3(c);

5               (5) if applicable, any challenges in acquiring the  
6       necessary workforce to install, operate, or main-  
7       tain—

8                       (A) any zero-emissions vehicle infrastruc-  
9       ture acquired, installed, or operated, or planned  
10      to be acquired, installed, or operated, under sec-  
11      tion 3(b)(1); and

12                      (B) any zero-emissions vehicles acquired  
13      for the fleet of the Forest Service or the Na-  
14      tional Park Service under section 3(b)(2);

15               (6) with respect to each agreement for shuttle  
16      or other transportation services on or to covered  
17      land entered into by an appropriate agency head  
18      during the period covered by the report, how the ap-  
19      propriate agency head complied with the require-  
20      ments of section 4;

21               (7) the strategy developed under paragraph  
22      (6)(A) of section 400AA(a) of the Energy Policy and  
23      Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6374(a)) (including  
24      any updates to the strategy under paragraph (6)(B)  
25      of that section); and

1           (8) any recommendations of the Secretary with  
2       respect to any additional funding or authority need-  
3       ed to carry out paragraph (6) of section 400AA(a)  
4       of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42  
5       U.S.C. 6374(a)).

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