DON'T RESTRICT PLANNING FOR TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION

No on HB 1584

HB 1584 would needlessly hinder the most essential function of counties and local governments in Missouri: planning ahead to meet the changing needs of their constituents.

Restricting planning for transportation electrification would harm our economy.

Transportation is currently a capital drain on our economy, because Missouri does not produce gasoline. Fueling electric vehicles with electricity generated in Missouri would reverse this trend. Studies also show that cost savings for electric vehicle drivers translate into local economic benefits.

Restricting planning for transportation electrification would harm our health.

Transportation pollution plays a serious role in undermining the health of Missouri residents. Missouri has struggled to meet the national standards for smog, leading to breathing problems and premature death. Rapid electrification of the transportation sector would greatly improve these health problems.

HB 1584 is sponsored by Rep. Jim Murphy. It passed out of the House Transportation Committee.