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## AMENDMENT MEMO

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**2021 Senate Bill 663**

**Senate Substitute  
Amendment 1**

### **2021 SENATE BILL 663**

2021 Senate Bill 663 requires the Public Service Commission (PSC) to establish an electric vehicle charging facility grant program. Under the program, the PSC must award up to \$10 million in grants using Volkswagen settlement funds. The bill specifies that at least \$5 million in grants must be made to businesses or electric providers for installing publicly accessible electric vehicle charging facilities along PSC-designated clean energy corridors; and at least \$3 million in grants must be made to multi-unit dwellings or businesses for charging facilities not along clean energy corridors. In both cases, the grants are limited to a portion of the total cost of the project.

The bill also requires the PSC to prepare two reports. The first report details the locations of charging facilities installed under the grant program and any gaps of greater than 50 miles along clean energy corridors. The second report provides potential methods for ensuring equitable contribution by electric vehicle drivers to the funding of highways and local transportation aids.

### **SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1**

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 replaces the PSC with the Department of Administration (DOA) as the administrator of the grant program and all associated duties under the bill. The amendment also requires that DOA consult the PSC in designating clean energy corridors, establishing grant criteria, and preparing the equitable contribution report.

### **BILL HISTORY**

Senator Cowles offered Senate Substitute Amendment 1 on January 13, 2022. On January 19, 2022, the Senate Committee on Transportation and Local Government recommended adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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