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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF **S.110 (Krueger) / A.1122 (Epstein)**

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The Alliance for Clean Energy New York (ACE NY) supports Bill S.110/A.1122. This bill would ensure that commercial parking garages that contain electric vehicle charging stations make these stations available to the public.

S.110/A.1122 would amend the state finance law by adding a new section that requires all commercial garages that receive state funds or assistance in the implementation of electric charging stations to guarantee public access to these charging stations. This public access would be required to be at a commercially reasonable rate or fee. The bill notes that it would not have any effect on preexisting contracts or agreements. The act will take effect 180 days after its passing.

With transportation accounting for nearly 30% of New York City's greenhouse gas emissions, most of these emissions from passenger cars, it is incredibly important for electric vehicles, and charging stations to be an affordable and accessible option for the citizens of New York State.¹ As of November of 2022, New York State has the second largest percentage of charging stations out of all the states with a total of 3,085 EV charging stations, behind only California.² Accessing these charging stations can become a high expense for New Yorkers. A study done by Parkopedia shows that New York City is the most expensive city in the United States for parking with the two-hour rate, as of November of 2022, rising above \$40.00.³ Ensuring that electric vehicle owners do not suffer these prices when charging their vehicles is essential.

As the Biden-Harris administration takes strides in securing a national network of electric charging stations, with a projected \$5 billion being allocated to states in funding, it is essential that New York has the legislation in place for these upcoming stations to be accessible to all.⁴ S.110/A.1122 would guarantee that this national funding if procured would benefit all New York citizens equally.

For the above reasons, the Alliance for Clean Energy New York supports this legislation. For more information contact Deb Peck Kelleher, Deputy Director, at (c) 518-698-3211. All of ACE NY's memos on legislation are available at <https://www.aceny.org/legislative-actions>.

¹ "New York City Electric Vehicles", <https://www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/motorist/electric-vehicles.shtml#/find/nearest>

² "Which US states have the most EV charging stations?" <https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2022/11/ev-charging-stations-across-the-us-mapped/>

³ "Parkopedia publishes the 2022 Global Parking Index" <https://business.parkopedia.com/press-releases/parkopedia-publishes-the-2022-global-parking-index>

⁴ "Biden-Harris Administration Takes Key Step Forward in Building a National Network of User-Friendly, Reliable, and Accessible Electric Vehicle Chargers", <https://highways.dot.gov/newsroom/biden-harris-administration-takes-key-step-forward-building-national-network-user-friendly>