

Sen. Watters, Dist 4
Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19
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Floor Amendment to HB 243-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT relative to relative to the penalty for false reports of suspected abuse and neglect
4 made to the division for children, youth, and families, and electric vehicle charging
5 stations and fees for annual testing by the division of weights and measures.
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7 Amend the bill by replacing all after section 2 with the following:

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9 3 New Paragraph; Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Husbandry; Standards for Weights and
10 Measures; Definitions. Amend RSA 438:1 by inserting after paragraph XV the following new
11 paragraph:

12 XVI. "Electric vehicle charging station" or "charging station" means any level of electric
13 vehicle supply equipment, which means a device or system designed and used specifically to transfer
14 electrical energy to an electric vehicle, either as charge transferred via physical or wireless
15 connection, by loading a fully charged battery, or by other means, that is designed and built in
16 compliance with the requirements of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Handbook
17 44, as amended, and is approved by the National Type Evaluation Program, and delivers electricity
18 from a source outside an electric vehicle into a plug-in electric vehicle.

19 4 New Paragraph; Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Husbandry; Standards for Weights and
20 Measures; Fee for Licensing Commercial Devices. Amend RSA 438:10-a by inserting after
21 paragraph XVI the following new paragraph:

22 XVII. Electric Vehicle Charging Meter, \$175 per meter to include annual testing by means
23 of a weights and measures official. Electric vehicle charging stations in place prior to the effective
24 date of this section shall be licensed and certified by January 1, 2027. Electric vehicle charging
25 stations installed after the effective date of this section shall be licensed with the division before use
26 and certified by a division official within 30 days of installation. Direct current devices installed
27 prior to January 1, 2025 are exempt from NIST Handbook 44, 2025 edition requirements until
28 January 1, 2035 and shall meet a +/- 5 percent tolerance.

29 5 Registered Service Technician; Duties. Amend RSA 438:14-a to read as follows:

30 438:14-a Registered Service Technician. A registered service technician who **tests, adjusts,**
31 **repairs, certifies, rejects, adds, removes, or replaces** [~~installs, services, repairs, reconditions,~~
32 ~~tests, or calibrates~~] a commercial weighing or measuring device shall **state certify** [seal] said device

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1 in a manner approved by the commissioner, ***except that electric vehicle charging stations shall***
2 ***only be state certified by a weights and measures official.*** This ***certification*** [seal] shall
3 authorize the device owner to use a licensed device unless rejected pursuant to RSA 438:14.

4 6 Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food; Positions Created. There is created within the
5 department of agriculture, markets, and food the classified full-time position of registered electric
6 vehicle service technician, who shall be under the direction of the commissioner of the department of
7 agriculture, markets, and food pursuant to RSA 426:6-b. The certifier shall be responsible for
8 certifying electric vehicle charging stations in this state in accordance with RSA 4438:10-a and RSA
9 438:14-a.

10 7 Agricultural Products Regulatory Fund; Withdrawal. The commissioner shall withdraw
11 \$413,301 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 from the agricultural products regulatory fund
12 established in RSA 435:20 to cover the costs associated with establishing the position of registered
13 electric vehicle charging station service technician. Such funds shall be non-lapsing. For 2 years
14 after such withdrawal completed, if needed, the commissioner may continue to withdraw additional
15 funds from the agricultural products regulatory fund to cover such costs.

16 8 Effective Date.

17 I. Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2026.

18 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Provides that reports of suspected abuse and neglect may include the name of the person making the report and that a report made maliciously or with the intent to cause harm may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

II. Provides that a person who in their professional capacity is a mandatory reporter of suspected abuse and neglect may be subject to civil liability for the failure to report.

III. Defines electric vehicle charging station.

IV. Charges a fee for annual testing by the division of weights and measures.

V. Authorizes the department of agriculture, markets, and food to appropriate funds for electric vehicle charging station testing and certification.