

**Testimony before the House Transportation Committee  
Opposing HB 2004  
Presented by Tad Kramar**

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Mr. Chairman and Honorable Members of the Committee:

I am Tad Kramar, an electric car owner living in Big Springs, Kansas. Every year I pay a registration fee more than three times higher than the fee paid for most gas-powered cars. The only justification for this much higher annual fee is that electric vehicles do not pay gas tax. Consequently, HB 2004 is not only unnecessary, but it would impose a redundant and completely unjustified double penalty on electric vehicle owners.

The penalty on electric vehicles is even greater when you consider the fact that gas-powered vehicles pay nothing to compensate for the pollution or noise they generate.

The ownership of electric vehicles should be encouraged, not penalized. Electric vehicles are quiet and emit no pollution or greenhouse gases. HB 2004 is the opposite of what we should be doing.

Please oppose this grossly unfair bill. Thank you for your consideration.