



PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA  
Economy and Infrastructure Committee

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# **Electric vehicles inquiry explores future transport options**

The Victorian Parliament's Economy and Infrastructure Committee has commenced an inquiry into electric vehicles with a call for public submissions.

The new inquiry will examine the potential pros and cons, manufacturing and applicability of electric vehicles in Victoria.

"We have an opportunity through this inquiry to undertake analysis of the applicability of electric vehicles to our State transport needs," said Committee Chair Bernie Finn.

"This investigation will examine environmental, regulatory, infrastructure and employment options related to the use of electric vehicles," he said.

"The potential pros and cons from the widespread uptake of electric vehicles will be looked at, as well as issues around lack of infrastructure for charging electric vehicles and higher costs," Mr Finn said.

"We want to hear from people and organisations with expertise on these issues to help us understand what the options might be."

The Committee is keen to examine the potential for the manufacture and assembly of electric vehicles in Victoria.

It will also be considering the applicability of electric vehicles in public transport bus fleets and public sector fleets.

"We welcome community input so that the Committee can develop some practical recommendations for the benefit of our community."

Public submissions can be made until Wednesday, 1 November 2017.

The terms of reference and more details about the inquiry are available from the Committee's [website](#).

### **Media queries**

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