Findings presented on electric vehicles in Victoria

A detailed report into the future of electric vehicles in Victoria has been tabled in Parliament today.

The report by the Economy and Infrastructure Committee brings together a range of evidence received in submissions and at public hearings.

It presents 27 findings that outline key issues that need to be taken into account in mapping out future opportunities for the electric vehicle industry in Victoria.

"Some evidence to the Committee at public hearings and in submissions supported the importance of electric vehicles in Victoria's transport future," said Committee Chair Bernie Finn.

"A lot more work needs to be done before we can fully understand or support electric vehicles in Victoria," he said.

"If a transition to electric vehicles is inevitable, as some of our evidence suggested, then I am concerned with the support that traditional industries receive."

The Committee received more than 200 submissions for the inquiry and held three days of public hearings to gather information from relevant stakeholders.

The report considers the potential benefits for Victoria that could result from the higher uptake of electric vehicles. It also considers the support that government could give to the electric vehicle industry and to consumers considering the purchase of an electric vehicle.

Other issues examined in the report include the applicability of electric vehicles in the public sector fleet, what the State Government can do to support the manufacture and assembly of electric vehicles in Victoria, and the applicability of electric vehicles to car-sharing.

The report is available from the Committee's website.

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