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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Highlights

- The bill creates the 13-member Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Study Committee to study various issues related to electric vehicle infrastructure and complete a report by May 31, 2020. The members are not to receive compensation or reimbursement.

- The bill could result in some small new administrative costs for the Ohio Department of Transportation, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, and the city of Columbus. These expenses would likely be absorbed within the existing budgets of these entities as part of ongoing operating costs.

Detailed Analysis

The bill creates the 13-member Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Study Committee to study various issues related to electric vehicle infrastructure. Four of the members are legislative appointees: the chairpersons and ranking members of the House and Senate committees primarily responsible for transportation issues. The nine nonlegislative members represent the following entities: (1) the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), (2) the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), (3) the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA), (4) a central Ohio public utility appointed by PUCO, (5) the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, (6) the Ohio Environmental Council, (7) Clean Fuels Ohio, (8) the city of Columbus, and (9) the Columbus Partnership. The bill appoints the chairperson of the House committee primarily responsible for transportation issues to serve as the chairperson of the Study Committee.

The Study Committee is to focus on five specific areas dealing with state and local policy and funding options for electric vehicle infrastructure and ways to expand use of electric vehicles. A report on findings and recommendations would be due May 31, 2020. The bill requires ODOT to provide administrative assistance. Any administrative costs to the state
agencies involved, as well as the city of Columbus, to produce the report would likely be absorbed within ongoing operating budgets of these entities.