

**Written Testimony of William Shaw**

Proponent for HB 346

House Public Utilities Committee

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Good morning Chair Baldrige, Vice Chair, Ranking Member Sheehy, and members of the House Transportation Committee.

Pl I am writing to request support for changing the present registration fee for plug in electric cars. We own a 2018 Chevrolet Volt. It uses electric for around 50 mile range and then uses gas. At present we pay for gas tax like every other internal combustion engine AND we pay \$200 per year registration fee because the car runs partly on electric. We are being "taxed" twice on the fuel we use, once at the pump and second for this "special" fee for annual registration. This is like double taxation.

I would also note that Ohio wants to encourage EV car manufacturers to produce cars in Ohio. It seems rather hypocritical to charge an annual \$200 registration fee for EV cars, while at the same time encouraging EV manufacturers to produce cars in Ohio. Does Ohio want to encourage EV's or discourage EV's?

Thank you for considering my request.

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