



# Discussion on Policy Strategies

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# Policy #1: Public Fleet Procurement

## Administrative



### States with Targets for Fleet EV Adoption:

- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Hawaii
- New York
- Oregon
- Washington

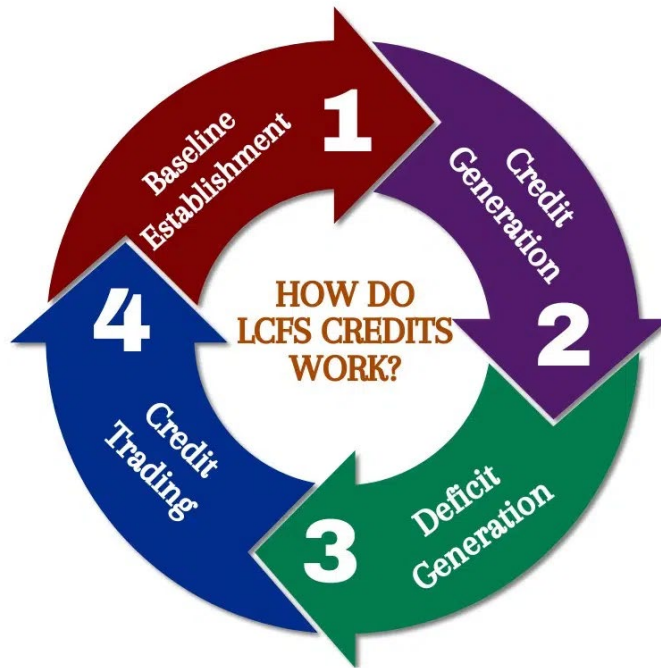
### Benefits:

- Economic & Operational: reduced maintenance obligations, lower fuel costs, resiliency
- Environmental & Public Health: operation reduces GHG emissions, aligning with climate goals
- Market & Policy Leadership: “Leading by Example” instills confidence in consumer market and builds familiarity



# Policy #2: Low Carbon Fuel Standard

Legislative + Regulatory (DEP)



## States with Targets for Fleet EV Adoption:

- California
- Oregon
- New Mexico
- Washington

## What is it?

A **Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS)** is a market-based regulation designed to progressively reduce the **carbon intensity (CI)** of the transportation fuel supply within a given region

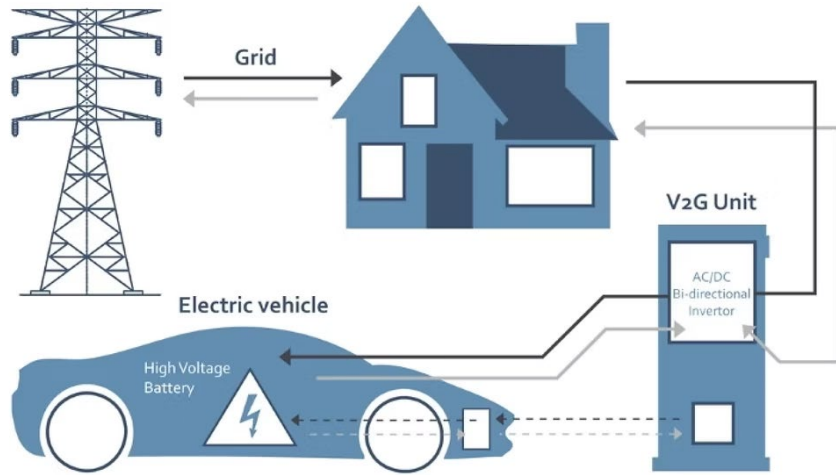
## Benefits:

- Environmental: LCFS guarantees GHG emissions reductions
- Economic: LCFS has proven track record for attracting investment into clean fuel production and infrastructure, fosters innovation and creates jobs
- Cost: leverages market forces to achieve GHG reductions at the lowest possible cost to all



# Policy #3: Expand Vehicle to X

Administrative + Regulatory (PSC)



## Maryland is already a leader in the V2X space!

- DRIVE Act (2024) allowed PSC to adopt regulations permitting V2X in 2025
- BG&E is piloting a program with Ford owners

## Next Steps:

- Administration needs to maintain awareness of program status and ensure rollout remains on schedule
- Seek opportunities for expansion

## Benefits:

- For Utilities:
  - Peak shaving, grid stabilization, renewable energy integration, deferred infrastructure upgrades
- For EV Owners:
  - Revenue generation, optimized charging (lower charging costs)
- For Society:
  - Downward pressure on rates, reduced emissions from generation, emergency backup



# Policy #4: EV Incentives/ICE Disincentives

## Legislative & Administrative

### Luxury Tax:

States have begun imposing higher sales taxes on luxury and inefficient vehicles to fund clean transportation initiatives.

- Connecticut: 7.75% tax on vehicles sold above \$50,000. 6.35% tax on first \$50,000.
- New Jersey: 0.4% sales tax on vehicles sold above \$45,000 obtaining less than 19 miles per gallon
- Washington: 8% tax on vehicles sold above \$100,000.

### Tolling:

International cities have successfully leveraged reduced tolls for EVs or increased tolls for ICE to encourage behavioral changes. Funds can be used to directly incentivize EV purchase or on infrastructure.

- Oslo, Norway example:  
Implemented increased tolls for ICE vehicles on its roads. Resulted in rapid acceleration of EV adoption through economic incentive.

