



April 1, 2024

The Honorable Lori Wilson
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RE: AB 2401 (Ting) Clean Cars 4 All - SUPPORT

Dear Chair Wilson,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we are writing in support of AB 2401 (Ting) which will focus the Clean Cars 4 All program to prioritize the retirement and replacement of the

oldest, most driven, and highest emitting vehicles on our roads with zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs). We thank you for your continued leadership for clean air, reductions in carbon pollution and a just transition into clean transportation.

Coltura, Greenlining (GLI), and the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) have recently released reports evaluating how the state can reduce greenhouse gas emissions and criteria pollutants which cause adverse effects to our communities and the environment. Coltura's [Gasoline Superusers 2.0](#) report finds that in California, light-duty vehicles in the top 20 percent in terms of gasoline use are using 55 percent of all private light-duty gasoline. GLI and UCS' [Cleaner Cars, Cleaner Air](#) report found that despite making up only 19 percent of the vehicles in the state, pre-2004 vehicles emit three times as much smog-forming nitrogen oxides as compared to all 2004 and later vehicles combined. Further, the study confirmed that communities with the highest exposure to pollution from pre-2004 vehicles are home to higher percentages of people of color.

AB 2401 provides a solution to the problems raised in both reports by requiring the Air Resources Board to collect additional data and use it to establish a needs-based approach to identify and target outreach and incentives to low-income, high-mileage drivers with older, high-polluting vehicles. This measure additionally codifies any expansions of the program to confirm that they are subject to the same requirements established by this measure and previously enacted equity, funding, and tax exemption provisions.

With the retirement of the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project, the Clean Cars 4 All program is the only remaining vehicle purchase incentive program currently operating in California. Given this, and the state's current economic outlook, it is critical that limited resources are distributed in a manner that makes the greatest impact on our most vulnerable communities and the environment. Thank you for always being a champion on these important issues.

Sincerely,

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