

## What is Clean Cars Minnesota?

The Clean Cars Standard has two components: **The Low-Emission Vehicle (LEV)** standard and the **Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV)** standard. Minnesota is considering adopting both parts of the rule to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve public health, and reduce costs for Minnesota households.

The **Low-Emission Vehicle Standard** regulates emissions of greenhouse gases and criteria air pollutants from new light- and medium-duty passenger vehicles, including sedans, sport utility vehicles, and pickup trucks.

• The LEV standard would maintain the fuel economy standards set by the Obama Administration, and prevent the Trump Administration's rollback of efficiency standards from harming Minnesota.

The **Zero-Emission Vehicle Standard** requires automobile manufacturers to sell an increasing number of electric vehicles, based on their total vehicle sales within the state.

• Electric vehicles emit half the greenhouse gas emissions of conventional cars. And as the electric grid continues to decarbonize, these benefits will only increase.

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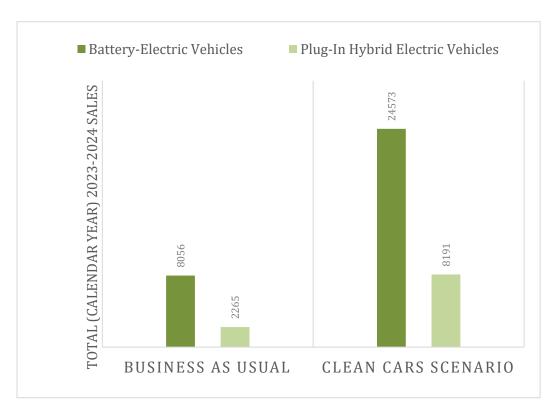
- It would reduce greenhouse gas emissions from all new vehicles sold in Minnesota. In Colorado, the same standard is expected to avoid 30 million tons of emissions over ten years.
- It would also **reduce harmful air pollution**, which has a particular impact on lower-income and minority communities.
- It would **save customers money**. Consumer Reports found that more stringent fuel standards under LEV would save households \$2,100 per new vehicle. By adopting the Clean Cars standard, **Minnesotans will save \$6.3 billion in fuel costs alone**.



## CLEAN CARS MINNESOTA WOULD GENERATE BENEFITS ACROSS THE STATE.

Today, electric vehicles account for just 1% of total car sales in Minnesota.

The ZEV standard would increase sales to around 7% by 2025, and make more electric vehicle models available to purchase around the state.



**Senate File 3496** would remove the authority of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) to regulate emissions from motor vehicles. **If passed, this bill would prevent Minnesota from reaping the benefits of the Clean Cars Standard.** 

MCEA supports maintaining the authority of the MPCA to implement Clean Cars Minnesota through a collaborative rulemaking process. While considering the rule, the Agency will gather broad input from a variety of individuals and stakeholder groups around the state to determine the best course of action for Minnesota.

