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Comments to Committee - October 1, 2024

Thanks for all of your work on this. Please consider the attached comments.

Additional submitted attachment is included below.

It is widely recognized by fuel cell car owners, the trucking industry and academia that hydrogen trucks and hydrogen cars have a symbiotic relationship, that is:

- The success of fuel cell-powered cars helps fuel cell-powered trucks, and vice-versa.

It is also widely recognized that hydrogen fuel cell-powered trucks, as Zero Emission Vehicles, will play a prominent role in the greening of the transportation industry in California. The ability of these trucks to carry heavier payloads makes it likely that they will haul the bulk of future over-the-road freight tonnage.

Taking this into account, if we look at Slide 42, on the 3rd row down, it does not make sense to me that we would spend \$38 million for electric charging, and nothing for hydrogen refueling infrastructure for these vehicles. Can this be reevaluated?



2024–2025 Funding Allocation Changes Summary

Category	Eligible Fuel Types	Staff Draft	Revised Draft
Light-Duty Charging Infrastructure	Electric	\$37.0	\$40.0
Medium- and Heavy-Duty ZEV Infrastructure	Electric, Hydrogen	\$55.2	N/A
Medium- and Heavy-Duty Charging Infrastructure	Electric	N/A	\$38.2
Hydrogen Refueling	Hydrogen	N/A	\$15.0
Workforce Training and Development	Electric, Hydrogen	\$3.0	\$2.0
	Total Base	\$95.2	\$95.2

