



## Sec. 177 States ZEV Readiness Field Updates

*A growing coalition of business, environmental, consumer and health stakeholders is supporting the emerging ZEV market beyond California in states that have adopted the California program. This update highlights some of the activities to promote ZEV readiness in those states.*



**The Sierra Club** recently launched its [Rev Up EVs](#) dealership campaign targeting the Section 177 states. The campaign's goal is to accelerate the electric vehicles marketplace. Rev Up EVs is getting people excited about EVs while providing useful feedback on how the industry can do better to improve the EV marketplace. The campaign will culminate with the release of a report summarizing the hundreds of dealer survey results in late May. This [Huffington Post blog](#) post provides more information on the campaign.



In May, the **Connecticut** legislature passed [HB 5510](#), which supports EV infrastructure and expands Connecticut's EV programs. Key provisions include:

- Requiring DMV to record EVs registered in the state and make that data publicly available
- Requiring utilities to develop residential and commercial EV time of day rates
- Requiring the state and the utilities to plan for increased EV charging
- Exempting EV charging stations from regulation as a utility
- Fixing existing definitions of EV charging stations
- Correcting existing statute to lift unnecessary restrictions on light duty fuel cell vehicles

As excitement about the growing EV market builds, several communities in Connecticut have been hosting EV Ride & Drive events, including the Westport Electric Car Club's 4th Annual EV Road Rally on May 1.

The **New York** Governor and Legislature recently agreed on a 2016 budget that included a consumer EV rebate of up to \$2,000, a municipality EV rebate of up to \$5,000, and new funding for EV

