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I am in Support of this Bill and its Intension of Protecting Children of the World in the Manufacturing and Assembly of "Electric-Vehicles" through any State Contracts. This is great step in that goal.



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I support HB 2373.I also support expanding HB 2373 to apply to solar panels as well.I think the word “knowingly” needs to be added. I would like to see a requirement requiring certain materials (such as cobalt and lithium) to be sourced from the USA whenever possible, that way we have the best possible oversight of the entire process from cradle-to-grave, plus the added bonus of creating/maintaining domestic jobs and reducing the carbon footprint of shipping those materials from overseas.



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The Sierra Club Missouri Chapter opposes House Bill 2373. This bill wants to place ESG criteria on the state purchase of electric vehicles - and no other state purchases. The Sierra Club would not be opposed to human rights criteria concerning child labor and forced labor being applied to all purchases made by the State of Missouri. Using the purchasing power of the State of Missouri to promote human rights is just and correct. However, when a bill applies these standards ONLY to electric vehicles and no other state purchase, then it appears that the main goal is not to support human rights but rather to oppose electric vehicles, products that produce less pollution than petroleum burning vehicles. If human rights were the real goal, why would the same criteria not be applied to purchase of petroleum burning vehicles? If human rights were the real goal, why not everything purchased by the state? While it would be proper to put these standards on all products purchased by the state, it is not proper to apply them selectively to only one type of product - a product which can help keep our air cleaner and reduce carbon emissions over our present situation.