



## **Promoting the Reduction of Emissions Through Landscaping Act**

### **Background**

Transitioning to zero-emission, electric landscaping equipment—such as mowers, leaf blowers, snow blowers, and hedgers—improves local air quality, reduces noise pollution, protects landscape workers' health, and reduces landscaping companies' reliance on gas and diesel fuels, which are subject to major price spikes.

According to a 2023 Environment America [report](#), electric appliances save money over time due to their lower fuel and maintenance costs – usually paying back the initial investment in only one to three years. Electric lawn care equipment is also quieter and produces less vibration, making it safer and healthier to operate.

### **Bill Summary**

The Promoting Reduction of Emissions through Landscaping Equipment Act creates a federal tax credit to enable local small businesses, including landscaping and lawn care businesses of all sizes, to transition to zero-emission equipment more easily and without financial burden.

Specifically, the bill would:

- Amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a tax credit for local small businesses, including landscaping and lawn care businesses, to help businesses recoup the difference in costs from purchasing zero-emission equipment.
- Provide a 40% tax credit on the purchase of zero-emission equipment, such as mowers, leaf blowers, hedgers, and accessories up to \$25,000 every year and up to \$100,000 over the course of 10 consecutive years.
- Apply the new tax credit to any equipment purchased on or after January 1, 2023, also extend to retrofitting equipment that transforms gas-powered devices to zero-emission machines.

### **Endorsing Organizations**

The Promoting Reduction of Emissions through Landscaping Equipment Act has been endorsed by the National Association of Landscape Professionals, American Lung Association, Environmental Defense Fund, Earthjustice, Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, Sierra Club, American Green Zone Alliance, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, AmericanHort, New Mexico Sustainable Businesses, and the Santa Fe Green Chamber of Commerce.