

## EXECUTIVE ORDER #245

## Relating to the Creation of the Governor's Steering Committee on Autonomous and Connected Vehicle Testing and Deployment

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has been a leader in technology and innovation throughout its history; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has contributed significant advancements to the automotive field; and

WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin is an internationally recognized higher education and research system with the mission to pioneer new fields of learning; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation selected the University of Wisconsin – Madison as one of ten "Proving Grounds" to serve as a foundation for building a community of practice around automated vehicle research and encourage testing and information sharing regarding automated vehicle technology; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has corporations, centers of innovation, business incubators and start-ups, and other private sector partners engaged in the development of new automated and connected vehicle technology; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin is uniquely positioned to assist in the development and deployment of automated and connected vehicle technology; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin believes that studying the controlled testing and operation of automated and connected vehicles in a variety of real-world driving conditions on roads within the state will ultimately advance the safe and successful deployment of autonomous and connected vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the removal of barriers to the testing and deployment of automated and connected vehicle technology in Wisconsin may produce significant social, economic, environmental, and innovative benefits including enhancing mobility, creating jobs, and improving transportation efficiency;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOT'T WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, including Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby create the **Governor's Steering Committee on Autonomous and Connected Vehicle Testing and Deployment** and order the following:

- 1. The Governor's Steering Committee on Autonomous and Connected Vehicle testing and Deployment (the "Steering Committee") shall operate as a nonstatutory committee under Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes, for the purpose of advising the Governor in a coordinated effort on how best to advance the testing and operation of autonomous and connected vehicles in the State of Wisconsin.
- 2. Members of the Steering Committee shall include the following, who shall serve ex officio:
  - (a) The Secretary of the Department of Transportation, or designee.

- (b) The Secretary and CEO of the Economic Development Corporation, or designee.
- (c) The Commissioner of Insurance, or designee.
- 3. The Steering Committee shall include the following members appointed by the Governor:
  - (a) A representative from the Wisconsin State Patrol.
  - (b) Two representatives from the University of Wisconsin Madison.
  - (c) A representative from the Wisconsin Technology Council.
  - (d) A representative from the Office of the Governor.
  - (e) A representative of local law enforcement.
  - (f) A representative of a motorcycle organization.
  - (g) A representative of the trucking industry.
  - (h) Three or more members from the automated and connected vehicle technology sector.
- 4. The Steering Committee shall include the following members of the Wisconsin State Legislature:
  - (a) Two representatives selected by the Assembly Speaker.
  - (b) Two senators selected by the Senate Majority Leader.
  - (c) One representative selected by the Assembly Minority Leader.
  - (d) One senator selected by the Senate Minority Leader.
- 5. The Steering Committee shall be chaired by the Secretary of the Department of Transportation, or designee.
- 6. The Steering Committee shall have the following mission:
  - (a) Identify all agencies of the State of Wisconsin with pertinent jurisdiction to support the testing and deployment of automated and connected vehicles.
  - (b) Coordinate with the identified agencies and discuss how best to administer the testing and study of autonomous and connected vehicles on roads in relation to issues such as vehicle registration, licensing, insurance, traffic regulations, equipment standards, and vehicle owner or operator responsibilities and liabilities under current law.
  - (c) Review existing state statutes and administrative code and identify specific laws or rules that impede the testing and deployment of automated and connected vehicles on roads.
  - (d) Identify roads for designation as special corridors for automated and connected vehicle testing or operation innovation.
  - (e) Identify strategic partnerships to leverage the social, economic, and environmental benefits of automated and connected vehicle technology.
- 7. The Department of Transportation will provide staff support for the Steering Committee.
- 8. The Department of Transportation, with assistance from other state agencies, shall produce a final report containing the Steering Committee's findings and recommendations and shall submit the final report to the Governor no later than June 30, 2018.

9. The Steering Committee shall dissolve following the submission of its final report.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this eighteenth day of May in the year two thousand seventeer

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By the Governor: DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State