

GOVERNMENT REQUEST

SUPPORT AUTOMOTIVE BUSINESSES & APPRENTICES TO INVEST IN EV RELATED TOOLING & EQUIPMENT

Transforming the automotive sector toward a low-emissions future requires a comprehensive strategy that extends beyond merely increasing the import of zero and low emission vehicles (ZLEVs) into Australia.

The sector needs a whole-of-industry approach that brings the tens of thousands of small to medium sized businesses along the journey by providing the requisite support they need to transition to new technologies.

By incentivising these businesses to invest in their dealerships, workshops, and facilities in preparation for the anticipated increase in ZLEVs on Australian roads, we can create jobs, enhance infrastructure, and provide consumers with better information about EVs, helping them make informed decisions.

Government support

We urge the Australian Government to offer direct subsidies or tax offsets to automotive retail businesses for investing in new tools and safety equipment for EVs, including updated hoists and personal protective gear for workers.

Additionally, we propose a \$3,000 tool allowance for each eligible automotive technician to help them acquire the necessary tools and equipment for servicing and repairing EVs.

Lastly, the MTAA requests an extension of the instant asset write-off beyond June 30, 2025, with an increase to a total of \$50,000 to facilitate automotive retailers' and repairers' investments in EV-related equipment.

RECOMMENDATIONS



Provide direct subsidies or tax offsets for automotive retail businesses to invest in new tools and safety equipment for EVs, including hoists and worker safety gear



Offer a \$3,000 tool allowance to eligible automotive technicians to assist them in acquiring the necessary tools for EV service and repair



Extend the instant asset write-off beyond June 30, 2025, and increase it to \$50,000 to support automotive retailers in investing in EV-related equipment