By Senator Rodriguez

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to electric vehicle charging stations; creating s. 339.287, F.S.; defining the term “master plan for electric vehicle charging stations” or “master plan”; requiring the Department of Transportation, in coordination with the Office of Energy within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Florida Clean Cities Coalitions, or other appropriate entities, to develop and adopt by a specified date a master plan for electric vehicle charging stations on the state highway system; specifying goals and objectives of the master plan; requiring the master plan to be updated annually by a specified date; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 339.287, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

339.287 Electric vehicle charging stations; master plan requirements.—
(1) As used in this section, the term “master plan for electric vehicle charging stations” or “master plan” means a comprehensive plan of the department which describes current and future plans for the development of electric vehicle charging stations on the state highway system.
(2) The department, in coordination with the Office of Energy within the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
Services and the Florida Clean Cities Coalitions designated by the United States Department of Energy, or other appropriate public or private entities, shall develop and adopt a master plan for electric vehicle charging stations on the state highway system by July 1, 2021.

(3) The goals and objectives of the master plan include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

(a) Identify optimal locations on the state highway system for the development of electric vehicle charging stations as a means of facilitating electric vehicle short-range and long-range travel and adequately serving evacuation routes in this state.

(b) Identify locations that would serve existing electric vehicles or encourage the expansion of electric vehicle use in this state.

(c) Evaluate and compare the types of electric vehicle charging stations available at present and in the future, including the technology and infrastructure incorporated in such stations, for the purpose of identifying any advantages to developing a particular type of station.

(d) Evaluate the economic potential for electric vehicle charging stations in this state and consider strategies to develop that potential, including, but not limited to, methods of building partnerships with local governments, other state and federal entities, electric utilities, the business community, and the public in support of electric vehicle charging stations.

(e) Identify specific projects that will accomplish the goals and objectives of this section.

(4) After its adoption, the master plan shall be updated
annually by July 1.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.