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I oppose this rule.

1. Electric vehicles are not "clean energy" or good for the environment.
2. Mining for the lithium and other metals harms the environment.
3. Disposal of the batteries (toxic waste) harms the environment.
4. Petroleum products are still used in every aspect of manufacturing and delivery of these vehicles.
5. Electric vehicles are very expensive to buy, run, and repair.
6. The average Maine person cannot afford the cost.
7. Our power grid is completely unprepared to charge these vehicles.
8. Driving these vehicles any distance is difficult and frustrating, and causes hardship due to few charging stations, and length of time to actually charge the battery.

This Electric Vehicle Mandate is not in the best interest of the people of Maine.

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