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No lesson has been learned, apparently, from the California experience, as their economy sinks down a rabbit hole, and people and companies leave the state. Eventually the tax base will be only those on welfare. Good luck with that! I and many Mainers are very tired of having non-elected "officials" dictate policies which virtually always negatively impact our lives. I am a very firm believer in capitalism and entrepreneurship, MUCH less regulation, and individual freedom. Mandating EV goals that are unrealistic, and downright ridiculous, does not serve Mainers. Anyone who wants an EV is free to buy one anytime! If your ideas are of value, and actually benefit people, they will be promoted, and you will enjoy success. This has been the way in the United States for centuries and created the greatest nation in history. Stuffing poor ideas down unwilling citizens throats is, in the long run counterproductive.

I also, refuse to purchase anything from China or that I suspect has been made with **slave labor**. So when that all gets sorted out, come back and let me know. Thanks.

Stop with the efforts to make Maine the next California. It is NOT CA - thank God!

Sincerely,

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