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Please see comment below on 127-A.

Thanks,
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Question or Comment

I am curious, if people can't afford to buy new gasoline powered cars, they won't be able to afford new electric car. If anything happens any part of the electric car that isn't a normal mechanical issue, like the battery, it has to be taken to a dealer to service which will be very expensive. This may be a 2-4 hour ride or tow by a flat bed truck, which is one more expense.

A high mileage used electric car will need a battery and that is thousands of dollars.
Will there be very large tax incentives taken off at the sale or for repairs?
If not, this will only increase the vehicle expenses for already burdened average Maine people.
Maybe lowered taxes or much larger tax incentives at the time of purchase could help.
Please don't make a law to force people to buy anything they don't want to buy. Seems very anti-American to force any product or service on anyone.
I am sure no one on the board wants to be forced to buy a certain house, tv, boiler, furnace, laptop, etc that is 1.5 to 2 times more expensive that won't last as long.

Thanks
James