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My name is Joan Emerson and I strongly oppose the proposed rule that would mandate sales of electric vehicles in Maine.

I consider this a threat to our safety, our economy, and to our working class's ability to survive in rural Maine. Just look at the recent storms when much of the state lost power. How many Mainers would have been in an even more dangerous position if this mandate had already been in place?

Mainers are able to buy electric cars right now if they want them. Some do, but many don't. Electric cars are expensive and in the long run worse for the environment than gas powered cars!

Good ideas should not require force, and Mainers from all political stripes are opposing this mandate because they want to be able to choose for themselves what vehicles they drive.

A small group of people should NOT be able to mandate other people's lives.

Please listen to the voice of Mainers from Fort Kent to Kittery and vote down this rule.

Respectfully,
Joan Emerson