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I adamantly oppose the advancement of Advanced Clean Cars II Program. This does nothing more than put an additional financial burden on the Maine families that are already struggling to make ends meet. Maine, being a very rural state, with cold temperatures 6 months per year, lacks the infrastructure to support mass adoption of EVs. EV's are highly range limited in ideal climates and more so in cold temperatures. Even with available tax credits EV's are sold at a premium to ICE vehicles, not to mention the cost of installing a charging station in a home assuming the person owns the home and doesn't rent. In summary, most Mainers lack the finances, Maine lacks the infrastructure and EV's manufacturers lack the technology to make this a viable option.

Sincerely,

Joe Caron