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As a resident of Maine, I am shocked that this is even being considered. Our electrical grid is not anywhere near able to handle electric cars in this quantity, our weather is not conducive to owning an electric vehicle and there are very few charging stations.

In addition to all the issues above, electric vehicles don't eliminate the environmental damage, they just move the problem. There is still an insane amount of damage to land all over the world causes by mining for the components that are required to make a battery for an electric vehicle.

The batteries are also not recyclable. They will just fill up landfills and become another hazardous byproduct of electric vehicles.

I oppose any mandate to require electric vehicles in Maine.

Thank you,
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