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In Opposition to 127-A:

1. Maine average annual income a fraction of California - Mainers cannot afford high priced cars.
2. The obvious reason of NO infrastructure able to support charging of cars.
3. **The recent storm that took out the power for a week and longer means no one can charge a car - no help can be provided to shut-ins such as elderly or handicapped. People will die.**
4. Maine climate is not comparable to California - batteries die quickly in the cold.
5. Car Batteries cannot be recycled adequately or disposed of without harming the environment. The EV idea is MORE HARMFUL to the environment than fossil fuels.
6. Fossil fuels are required to create electricity - more demand for electricity equals more demand for fossil fuels defeating the entire argument.
7. Free market practices will dictate whether people purchase EV's - not a government dictate. If they are better - they will sell in a free market.
8. Car manufacturers have already shut down the production of EV's because no one wants them - they are inferior.

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