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I am the property owner at 660 Commercial Street in Rockport, Me 04856

I am opposed to the EV California rule!

Decisions such as this should (affecting/constricting human behavior) be made by elected officials, not unelected State employees.

CA and NY are the states with the most population exodus the past few years – people escaping taxes and run-away regulation such as this. Maine cannot afford to be a CA wanna-be.

CA is NOT a state to model Maine after – we all live here because it is decidedly NOT CA. The reasons for people choosing not to buy EV vehicles are many – faulty manufacturing premise/process, they don't work in the cold, insufficient infrastructure for charging, high cost and more.

Unilateral rulemaking is not consistent with the foundations of our representative democracy.

Thanks,
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