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To : Committee Chairman & Members of the Committee

From: Vito A. Ancona, Lisbon Falls

Subj: "Comment on Chapter 127-A: Advanced Clean Cars II (Reposting)"

Date: 12-29-2023

CC : Rep. Lisa Keim

My wife & I are very concerned about this issue for a variety of reasons:

- 1) We are elderly and on a fixed income and would never be able to afford an 'EV'. What will we do when our 12-year old car dies?
- 2) I understand that the batteries in these vehicles are only good for a certain amount of time, where are they to be "dumped" (creating another problem)?
- 3) The government and foreign individuals want to get rid of fossil fuels. Fossil fuels are what powers 'EV' chargers. How will we be able to charge the "charges" without fossil fuels?
- 4) How will we power our military vehicles, how long will an 'EV' last in a battle?
- 5) I'm a veteran and have a VA specialist at the VA Clinic in Bangor. If I had an 'EV' I might complete the round trip – IF – I don't run into traffic jams, or alt-routed, if I don't go somewhere to eat. I would have to pull off at an exit & HOPE I can find a charging station. Good luck!
- 6) The Town of Lisbon has a population of approximately 10,000 people. Let's say half have cars, and by some quirk (and it could happen) they all need to charge their vehicles at the same time (in town). Lisbon has, I think, 3-4 charging stations. Can you vision the problem, the rage, possible fights with injuries, cars that die in the middle of the road because their 'EV' lost its last bit of power? I spent 32-years in Law Enforcement in Maine, I wouldn't want to respond to that mess.
- 7) Let's take the Lisbon scenario a little farther. Half of the drivers in the State of Maine need to charge their 'EV's' at the same time (it could happen). What happens to Maine's power grid, and how long will it take to get up and running again? How long were we without power recently? Remember the ice storm of '98' & how long we were down?
- 8) Is the state going to fund 1,000s of charging stations for the entire state?

Maine is nothing like CA, I lived there in the military for two years. I've been in Maine since 1954 (thanks to the military), except for approximately 5-years when I served in the military. I've lived in Presque Isle for 5-years & here in Lisbon the rest of the time. I do not believe Mainers want 'EV's', unless it's for a status symbol, but other than a few people, who could afford to have one?

I respectfully ask that you don't follow CA. Let CA be CA & allow Maine to be: "Maine, the way life should be".

Thank you,

Vito A. Ancona

Lisbon Falls

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Vito A. & Ruth E. Ancona

GOD'S NOT DEAD ~ HE'S SURELY ALIVE!

God is good all the time ~ All the time God is good!

GOD PUT THE RAINBOW OUT BEFORE IT WAS STOLEN ~ SEE GEN. 9:13-16 & REV. 4:3

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