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Good day,

We are writing in opposition to Chapter 127-A Advanced Clean Cars ii Program  
While we understand that there are good intentions in this rule change, as usual the devil is in the details.

At this time, it seems at the least impractical, and at the most virtually unrealistic and unattainable. This mandate will effectively move Maine toward an elimination of petroleum-fueled vehicles (PFV's) in the coming decade. It does so by requiring dealers to make EVs comprise 82% of their new sales volume by 2032. That's a rise from 6% presently. The effect of such a rule is to restrict the supply of PFVs and hence run up their price, both new and used, thereby artificially prejudicing the market heavily in favor of EVs.

In a time when most Mainers are dealing with the high cost of food, housing, and insurance etc the last thing they need to be mandated, that is forced, into purchasing a vehicle they cannot afford. You need to leave the car market alone, and let those that can afford an EV and want an EV purchase one; do not foist this burden on the middle to lower income. Where is the fairness and common sense?

Not everyone wants to be saddled with an EV. Additionally our state infrastructure from charging stations to the ability to produce the amount of electricity needed to run that many cars is not ready yet.

Now is not the time in so many ways.  
We urge you not to pass this horrid rule change.

Kind regards,  
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