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I oppose forcing Maine citizens to purchase electric vehicles and also limiting gas powered. We were traveling cross country recently in snow and every where states were warning the electric grids were pushed to the max trying to provide heat and that there could be blackouts. How could you charge your car? Also Lithium batteries are very toxic to produce and replace, and can blow up. We had a EV car in our neighborhood blow up and started the garage on fire. Trying to force this new technology on everyone is like putting the cart before the horse.