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Lynne Cayting,

To think that the government would limit the type of vehicles available to the public is very concerning. My family is dealing with excessive taxes and extremely high cost of living to remain in the state where I was born and raised. I travel quite a bit for my job and an electric vehicle, based on current performance, is simply not feasible for me or my family at this time. It would prove to be one more reason for me to look to move to another state to live.

Please understand, I am not opposed to electric vehicles. Let me give you an example.... When I go golfing, I do not care if I ride in a gas-powered cart or an electric powered cart. Both vehicles get me around the course at the same speed, have enough power to allow me to complete an entire round without interruption and there is no cost difference to me.

When EV vehicles will take me as far as a gas-powered vehicle, have similar recharge time as to fill a traditional gas tank (or close), and are both offered at the same price, I will be happy to switch to an electric vehicle. But I think it is very important to allow the CONSUMER to make the decision, NOT THE GOVERNMENT. This will force companies to keep pricing competitive to all consumers.

The electric bill at my house has TRIPLED in the last 3 years. Our current infrastructure cannot handle this rapid change and I am VERY CONCERNED about the rising costs of electricity as it is!

Please oppose this bill!!!!!!!

Sincerely,

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