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"In response to a citizen petition, this new rule was proposed to establish motor vehicle emission standards for new passenger cars, light-duty trucks, and medium-duty vehicles by incorporating the requirements of the California Advanced Clean Cars II regulations, beginning model year 2027."

To whom it may concern:

The fact that this bill incorporates requirements from California should be enough for any sane person to put the brakes on the idea. California is a state upside down, inside out and backward when it comes to "new" ideas on how to save anything.

Witness US car makers laying off workers and shutting down EV manufacturing facilities because no one wants electric vehicles. I read recently where a town in Maine can not keep their electric busses on the road and when they do run, our state's cold weather drains their batteries very quickly and recharge time takes forever. Try turning on the heat or AC in these EV's and their power drains even more quickly. Where is the power coming now and in the future to recharge these EV albatrosses ?

How many people who sponsor this bill have an EV as their daily driver? Let those people and everyone in Augusta who thinks this idea is a good one go completely EV. Don't forget to let the rest of us know how that works out.

The authoritarian instincts that allows the political LEFT to push these impracticable ideas is breathtaking and really show all of us which side the political isle the dictator mentality comes from. What next? Try to pass legislation mandating that NO vehicle be allowed into Maine unless they are EV?

Worse idea EVER!

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