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Ladies and gentlemen of the board, I and many other Mainers are opposed to this type of Legislation. Not only will this decision fundamentally strain our grid system here in Maine but will also enrich our greatest adversary, The Communist Chinese Party.

The CCP Government have aspirations to control the supply chain of the EV market. They not only build most of the batteries for EV use but are planning on dumping cheap EV's into the United States and will monopolize this segment. Furthermore the Cobalt that is mined in Africa and used in the EV batteries is not an environmentally sound process. Stripping the African landscape for an unsustainable product and providing short term gains financially to the CCP governmental enterprises does not have The State of Maines best interest in mind. Manufacturing these environmentally toxic batteries will only be done in China under slack regulations.

This type of legislation is a feel good measure and initially was thought to assist in helping the environment but will hinder most hard working Mainers across the state, will strain our grid system enriching the United States number one advisory in the CCP and involves strip mining the African landscape.

I urge the board members to consider the payload and strain to our grid system, the charging consequences during cold weather, research the CCPs positions and ambitions toward monopolizing the EV segment and how the EV battery is manufactured from the mining process to delivery.

Thank you,

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