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I am opposed to this for a number of reasons. The cost of living in Maine is getting out of hand. The retired people of Maine have to wonder if they will be able to afford to live out their lives and keep their property at the rate things are going. Younger Mainers have to wonder how they will afford to live here also. This plan may work in some areas in different states but in a rural area like Maine, I do not see this going smoothly. What happens in the summer when the highways are loaded with tourists? Will there ever be enough charging stations? I think people will get fed up and not bother to vacation in Maine because of the hassle. Why does Maine ever want to be like California? 68 billion dollars in debt and people are fleeing the state in droves. Is this the way people want our state to become? Why not put this up to a state wide vote? Why are a select few making all the decisions for the rest of us? I can see why there is unrest in this country when the citizens have no say in the final outcome of something like this. Put it to vote!! Let the people decide what they want. Thank You

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