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My comment on its face is that this is such a ridiculous rule proposal, requiring 82% of cars sold in the State to be zero emission by 2032.

Who in this a state will be able to afford these EVs?

How does this help citizens in rural areas? Which is most of the State.

How are you evaluating the footprint of providing the electricity for these alleged zero emissions vehicles? Are you assuming that solar farms and windmills will provide enough power to the grid for these outlandish ideas.

What is your plan for battery disposal, and safety rules regarding lithium ion battery fires? Fires which have caused more deaths in NYC this year than the Three Mile island accident.

What consideration has been given to the mining of resources and the foot print created by mass production of EVs? Their limited life span, tire usage and the like.

This rule proposal is ridiculous on its face, and shows the mindless approach to the perceived emergency of carbon emissions. You folks obviously care little about the citizens of the State.

Let Portland do this if they want, don't impose this nonsense on everyone else. The simple and verifiable truth is that zero emissions vehicles are not zero emissions, not in their manufacturers, maintenance or fueling medium.

I am vehemently opposed to this proposed rule.

Regards,  
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