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Climate change cannot be refuted and auto emissions are a large part of it. But forcing such a stringent standard down the throats of Maine residents without the required infrastructure already being in place is wrong. The cost differential of electric vehicles vs gas powered vehicles is prohibitive in itself. The feasibility of EVs in the cold of Maine winters, as well as distances required to travel from point A and B make them questionable at best.

And Let's talk battery safety and disposal. The same discussion needs to be done in depth with the rush into Solar everything. Whose backyard will the battery dump be located? Who wants lithium leaching into their groundwater?

While change is needed, perhaps better enforcement of current vehicle inspection and emissions requirements would be a start.

Sincerely,

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