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i live twenty miles from a town where i must go to purchase my groceries, medications, doctor appointments and other requirements to survive. My income is \$1200 monthly, there is no way I could afford a EV, install a charging system or pay the large increase in my electric bill. Winter temperatures has a large effect on the output of battery output and resulting in a detrimental effect on distance per charge. Electric vehicles need advance improvements before being forced on Mainers, besides the choice should be left to the citizens sales should be decided by the consumer market, not a bureaucratic agency.