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Good afternoon,

As a long-standing member and future Chairwoman of Maine Motor Transport Association, we ask you carefully review all facets of this rule before the trucking industry turns more upside-down than it already is. This unsteady economy has really shaken our foundation of trucking in Maine this year. Maine shouldn't allow California lawmakers to craft our regulations.

Here are some reasonings:

- Remote locations for product delivery will be challenging along with routes that do not have charging capacity, such as rural Maine or new buildings.
- Consumer choice to purchase the vehicle that meets their needs for commercial activity is important. Additionally, New Hampshire isn't moving to adopt it, meaning Maine businesses will be competing with other states that can offer more choices and solutions.
- The uncertainty of adopting the CA ACT before important questions are answered will create chaos in an already fragile supply chain, and consumers/taxpayers will end up paying higher prices.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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