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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Why are we using California as a mentor for Maine? California is in poor shape due to progressive short-sighted policies. Taxes are excessive. Crime and homelessness are everywhere. People and companies are leaving this once beautiful state.

Mainers are economically dependent on gas vehicles. They perform much better in the winter months. There are gas stations throughout Maine. Gas vehicles are more affordable as well.

Electric vehicles are expensive. Many Mainers cannot afford these electric cars. Our infrastructure is at present unable to support the charging of these vehicles throughout the state. Personal homes will need expensive electrical work done to accommodate the charging requirements of EVs. What happens during power outages and your car needs charging to allow for necessary transportation?? Batteries have limited life-spans. When they need to be replaced, what do we do with the old one's? Batteries are caustic to humans as well. Batteries require electricity generated from FOSSIL FUELS.

China will greatly love us to be using electric cars as they stand to profit at our expense. (You don't believe that they are doing the same as us. Not a chance. They're too smart for that.)

Please oppose the elimination of the sale of gas vehicles in Maine.

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