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Good Afternoon, Senator Brenner, Representative Gramlich, and Members of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

I ask you to oppose LD2261. I speak as the grandmother of four whom I wish to inherit a sustainable and habitable Maine. As you know, transportation causes almost half (49%) of Maine's annual greenhouse gas emissions. Maine's Clean Transportation Roadmap, developed in 2021 to evaluate all of our policy options to reduce emissions from cars and trucks, listed clean cars and trucks standards as the number one recommendation.

The year-long, non-partisan public health and environmental policy-making process currently underway at the Board of Environmental Protection (BEP) incorporates comments from thousands of Mainers, including concerned legislators. Slowing the adoption of zero emission cars and trucks as LD2261 does, will hurt Maine people – ensuring new, cheaper EV models go to other states first, leaving us with leftovers, the dirtier and more expensive gas cars. Please vote ought not to pass unanimously to save Mainers money, improve health, and reduce pollution and climate chaos. Your grandchildren and mine will thank you.