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I am a Yarmouth resident that is committed to lowering my environmental footprint. I have installed heat pumps, insulated my house, and subscribed to a community solar farm. My largest remaining source of emissions is my gas powered car. I have struggled to find affordable EV options here in Maine. We need to pass standards like Advanced Clean Cars II in order to reap the benefits of EVs here in Maine. These cars both reduce GHG emissions and result in improved health outcomes due to cleaner air. LD 2261 would make it more difficult for Maine to pass needed standards and legislation, so I am writing in opposition to this bill. Please throw out this regressive proposal so we can move forward towards a cleaner and more prosperous transportation future.