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LD 2261

Dear Senator Brenner, Representative Gramlich, and Honorable Members of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, thank you for your time. My name is Sam Drummey, I'm a high schooler in Biddeford, and I'm asking you to Oppose LD 2261, An Act Designating New Motor Vehicle Emissions Rules as Major Substantive Rules.

As you know, Maine has made significant progress in becoming more sustainable in the last few years. I'm proud to live in a state that cares about young people like me's future. One of the measures that I believe is most important is the adoption of Advanced Clean Cars II, a rule the Department of Environmental Protection is currently considering. It would set out a process to transition cars sold in Maine from harmful gas-using cars to climate-friendly zero-emission and hybrid vehicles.

However, this progress could be reversed if LD 2261 moves forward. There was already a long, detailed, and stake-holder informed process for the Clean Cars rule. To add more barriers, as LD 2261 does, is a transparent effort to stop attempts at regulating emissions. By putting up more barriers to regulating emissions, we backslide into a time when the environment was ignored and deprioritized. With storms intensifying, the sea level rising, and our seasons warming, we cannot go back to that.

Please oppose LD 2261 to protect our environment.

Thank you for your time,  
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