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LD 622

Hello Esteemed members of the Transportation Committee,
Please Do.Not.Allow.LD 622 to go forward! Just for starters anyone within a mile of a Maine road, much less closer, submits to both the dangers and great disturbances of both the noise and the toxic fumes from gasoline engines. Also, this bill would do nothing to address the structural problems causing Maine's transportation funding shortfall and instead effectively is so prejudiced and harms those who have or who may buy an electric vehicle. L.D. 622 penalizes drivers for trying to lower their carbon footprint. And not only their carbon footprint but lower the poison gasoline fumes and the destructive loud noise of gas engines.

We need serious solutions to solve Maine's transportation funding shortfall. address the root causes and raise enough revenue to truly close the funding gap. This penalty fee would raise 1.5% of the \$280 Million projected budget shortfall in Maine's highway fund through 2027, barely scratching the surface.

This proposal does not follow basic principles of cost causation, and seeks to shift blame to Maine EV owners, instead of dealing with the true causes. Thank you.