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Comments on 2022-R-A-0011: Low Emission Vehicle Program

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I am 100% opposed to this mandate forcing people to buy electric vehicles. They are very expensive to purchase and are dangerous. It adds unnecessary time in the case of accidents and can be very serious in a life-saving accident to be able to extract the victims from the vehicle. God help if two of these vehicles collide. Rescue workers have to disable the batteries before trying to get people that are trapped out of the vehicles. Plus the cost of Lithium batteries is very exorbitant and extremely bad for the environment. Also when you have to replace the batteries they cost a third of the cost of the vehicle. You are not saving energy with this mandate as they still have to be plugged in to recharge and electricity is powered by fossil fuels. Then there is the issue of having to have a charging station installed at your home making this whole mandate ridiculous and not necessary. Please consider that we are not a socialist country but are supposedly Americans who are very capable of making our own decisions and I personally will always choose gas-powered vehicles. The government needs to stop trying to tell us what we can purchase. The environmental savings are not there. Please STOP this ridiculous mandate.