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Electric zero emission vehicles are not the panacea they claim them to be. The manufacture of the vehicles creates a huge carbon footprint and also requires the mining and importation of highly toxic non-recyclable materials such as cobalt. In addition the demands on our power grid will be unsustainable and will cause harm to our existing infrastructure. Free markets will provide solutions to all these problems based on societal demands and profitability. These rules have already caused serious problems in California just this summer. I see no reason to mirror what are obvious problems with these rules here in Washington state. I urge that these rules NOT be adopted.