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Chapter 173-423WAC Clean Vehicles Program: In my opinion more research needs to be done before mandating that the general public must purchase electric vehicles. 1. I am most concerned about the state's ability to support safe disposal of millions of used vehicle batteries containing toxic materials. Intense planning is required, because used batteries are not "clean." 2. The USA is dependent upon Communist China to provide electric vehicle batteries, components for solar panels, and wind turbines. Do we really want our country's power sources to be completely controlled by China, who has little to no clean air regulations? 3. Electric vehicle batteries do not perform well in cold temperatures or when wet, so our state's weather is not ideal for dependence upon driving electric vehicles. 4. Vehicle batteries take too long to charge, adding two hours charging time for a trip between Seattle and Spokane. Infrastructure is required for the thousands of charging stations that will have to be installed along every highway and main city streets statewide. Can our power companies/power grid support the additional demand of millions of electric vehicles? 5. The costs of electric vehicles and replacement batteries are prohibitive for most Americans.