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Decouple Washington's trucking emissions standards from California's rules.

Washington State residents endure greater and greater financial burdens imposed by laws righteously claiming to save the environment. But WA residents will continue to suffer from environmental damages caused by a the millions of other humans on the earth. It is not fair to demand that WA citizens bear a greater and greater financial burden while they still suffer from changes over which they have no control.

Washington legislators and those concerned with taking environmental actions should go to work to come up with methods that induce people to voluntarily cooperate that are either financially neutral or financially beneficial.

I agree with and repeat here the comments submitted by others:

"These California-linked rules are already disrupting the trucking industry here — which means higher shipping costs, fewer available trucks, and price spikes on everything from groceries to construction materials."

"Diesel vehicles still have a lower lifetime carbon footprint than any EV. The amount of carbon used in the production of EVs and the amount of environmental damage caused by the mining and refinement of lithium, cobalt boggles the mind."

Please decouple Washington from California's emissions laws. Please take actions that lower the cost of living for hard working Washington citizens.