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I do not believe the state of New Mexico is at a point where this amendment would be plausible for law-abiding citizens to comply with. I have several reasons for this. First, as a state with a large agricultural industry, much of the equipment for this industry is diesel-based, which is necessary for the farmers. Secondly, New Mexico is a low-income state, which means many citizens could not afford to purchase a new vehicle to meet the requirements of this amendment. Thirdly, the state does not yet have an electric grid capable of handling the demand this amendment would put on it. Lastly, there is no planning for the future waste and problems these vehicles may have, such as: What happens to the batteries when they die? What about the maintenance of the cars themselves? Are there enough mechanics in the state that have the knowledge to repair the vehicles? Are there enough charging stations spread throughout the state? These are only a few issues that I can see may come to happen if this amendment is passed.