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In general, New Mexico is a very low income and very rural state. This means that if this rule goes into effect, the state will need to make a concerted effort to both increase the robustness of electrical grid (especially in rural and tribal areas), and to increase the number of charging stations available for public and private use by at least two orders of magnitude. Low numbers and locations of charging stations make EVs extremely inconvenient, and cars that make life inconvenient is not something that broke/poor people can afford. I recommend some sort of legislation that allows for allocating money to grants for individuals and businesses, both small and large, in order to greatly increase the numbers and locations of both public and private charging stations. If this does not happen, then the effect of this rule will be that there will be zero-emission vehicles (EVs) in the greater income cities and suburbs and gas cars in poor and rural areas, and one would hope that is not the intent.