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Last month, NM Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham proposed Clean Cars and Trucks rules to the EIB. Adopting these updated Advanced Clean Cars and Trucks standards by the end of this year will help save lives and money in New Mexico.

Advanced Clean Cars II requires auto manufacturers to make zero-emission vehicles available and gradually increase the percentage of sales through 2035. Advanced Clean Trucks establish annual zero-emission sales requirements that vary by vehicle type and increase over time. The Heavy-Duty Low-NOx Omnibus, a third standard, would significantly reduce smog-forming pollution from new diesel-fueled trucks by strengthening the standards for nitrogen oxides and particulates.

If the New Mexico Environmental Improvement Board (EIB) approves the standards this year, the Advanced Clean Cars and Trucks standards will go into effect for model-year 2027 cars and trucks, arriving in showrooms in 2026.

I urge the Environmental Improvement Board to begin Clean Cars rulemaking.