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This is an unfunded mandate not approved by the elected officials representing the citizens of New Mexico. It will place an undue burden on many businesses, but more importantly, an impossible burden on the people of New Mexico. This is one of the poorest states in the country and the majority of residents cannot afford the costs associated with purchasing electric vehicles and the associated equipment necessary, such as charging stations and the increased cost of electricity. Further, this is a rural state and it is impractical and not feasible for the current technology of vehicles to drive hundreds of miles across large expanses with no means of recharging. Most people can not afford the time required to sit idle for hours while waiting for a vehicle to charge at each stop, even if sufficient numbers of charging stations were available. This is clearly a political stunt by the current governor in her bid to be the running mate of Gavin Newsom for a presidential run. Stop this lunacy now.