

H.R. 4468, Choice in Automobile Retail Sales (CARS) Act

The Problem

In April 2023, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced a proposed rule titled "Multi-Pollutant Emissions Standards for Model Year 2027 and Later Light-Duty and Medium-Duty Vehicles." This rule would set stringent emissions standards for criteria pollutants and greenhouse gasses for these vehicles, and the EPA has projected that due to these aggressive standards, over two-thirds of all new vehicles will be electric by 2032. This proposal has raised serious concerns regarding the accessibility of affordable vehicles for the average American consumer. According to data from Kelley Blue Book, the average price of an electric vehicle was over \$17,000 more than the average price of a gas-powered vehicle. This expense would come in addition to the extra \$10,000 families nationwide have spent over the last two years due to the economic crisis fueled by inflation.

The Solution

The <u>Choice in Automobile Retail Sales (CARS) Act</u>, introduced by Rep. Tim Walberg (MI-05) and Rep. Andrew Clyde (GA-09) would stop this executive overreach by preventing the implementation of regulations that seek to limit consumer choice, instead allowing consumers to choose the vehicle that best meets their needs. The legislation would:

- Prohibit the EPA from finalizing, implementing, or enforcing its proposed rule titled "Multi-Pollutant Emissions Standards for Model Year 2027 and Later Light-Duty and Medium-Duty Vehicles"
- Prohibit the use of authority under the Clean Air Act to issue regulations that mandate
 the use of any specific technology or that would limit the availability of new motor
 vehicles based on that vehicle's engine type
- Require the EPA to update any regulations that result in the limited availability of new vehicles based upon that vehicle's engine within two years
- End the EPA's radical agenda, which is driving up costs for people and handing the keys of America's auto industry to China

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