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Limiting consumer choice and restricting freedoms

Many Californians enjoy activities that require specialized tires, such as visiting our deserts and mountains by car. Snow or off-road tires inherently have lower gas mileage than OEM tires, which are specifically provided by manufacturers to achieve low fuel mileage. These specialized tires are heavier and/or have special compounds and tread patterns suited for these conditions, resulting in lower gas mileage. Restricting the choice or increasing the cost of such tires through this regulation will negatively affect Californian's ability to enjoy our great outdoors or make such activities much more dangerous, resulting in injuries or worse. It is plainly unsafe to drive high mileage street tires on unpaved desert or mountain roads or in snow situations. I am strongly opposed to imposing rules that limit the ability of Californians to enjoy our great outdoors.