

Subject: Ban the Sale of New Fuel-Powered Vehicles

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To: HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

To Whom it May Concern:

I am retired and on a fixed income. I moved to DE because it's retiree friendly in many ways. The proposed ban on gasoline cars is NOT friendly to retired residents such as me. I will need to replace my car in 10 years but won't have the funds to buy an EXPENSIVE ZEV. I can't afford one now! Since I won't be able to register a non-ZEV in the state either, this ban will create yet another financial hardship for me and thousands of others like me who moved here for the retiree friendly environment.

If this ban passes, I will probably have to consider leaving the state in order to control living expenses. I simply can't take on more debt simply to satisfy a law I had no say in. The thought of having to relocate in my 80's is not a pleasant future to look forward to.

I would suggest lengthening the transition period, as well as, dropping the ban on registering non-ZEVs. It might be a good idea to create a financial incentive during the transition such as 0% state backed loans for extended periods for certain income/age brackets. Without such interventions for those like me, I stand opposed to this legislation.

Please consider the unintended consequences this will have on the older population of this state. We would like to stay here.

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