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## Comments:

As an American first, and a Delawarean second, I believe that I have the freedom to make choices on how I spend my money. I don't understand where the Governor of Delaware has the authority to mandate that I purchase an EV as my only choice of a transportation vehicle. I don't believe that it is a certainty that any global warming is largely man made. Over the ages there has been too much variation in world climate to insist that what we have been more accurately able to measure in recent times means that we can predict the future with accuracy. Most of the predictions on future warming are based on models that are far from being accurate because they don't yet understand all of the things that affect the climate. Based on that, I believe that a measured approach to all future energy use should be based on a balance between what is needed to sustain a vibrant economy and maintain the basic freedoms we all enjoy and what will provide the most effective means of sustainable energy production and use. There are many promising sources of energy including more efficient use of fossil fuels in the short term, nuclear power, nuclear fusion, use of hydrogen, etc. Making a major change to complete acceptance of EV in the short term means a major impact on our current grid, as well as the effects of mining materials needed for the batteries. I say that we should let the free market determine the choices we make. Maintain our freedoms!