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## Comments:

I am against the electric vehicle mandate for multiple reasons. 1.The negative impact to businesses and low income families due to costs to purchase the vehicle and will there be electric service vans available with the State paying or giving grants for my business to purchase them and then install charging stations at my company? Or will the State install the stations at my employees home and who will pay the added electric charges, my business or my employee? 2. The electric grid is not prepared to handle the increased demand. There will not be enough public charging stations available, will we be like California and told that we cannot charge our vehicles at certain times. 3. Will there be higher auto and home insurance rates 4. The safety concerns and potential for more death and injuries on the road. First responders are not equipped with proper training and/or equipment to handle EV accidents and vehicle fires 5. Toxic chemical runoff is an environmental concern 6. What about apartments, condos, townhouses, their ability to charge their vehicles will be challenging 7. There will be a significant revenue loss from the gas tax, what is the plan to replace that 8. Making EVs/batteries actually creates more emissions/pollution. 9. Batteries lifespan is only about 10 yrs, what is going to be done with all the disposing of them, this will be an environmental nightmare. 10. We live in the United States of America- we HAVE a choice as to which vehicles we can purchase and should not be told what vehicles we MUST purchase. Passing any EV mandate without carefully considering, understanding and planning for these and MANY other unintended consequences is HIGHLY irresponsible to the tax paying citizens of Delaware. The Governor needs to reconsider the mandate.