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Comments:

Good ideas should not be forced on people. Concerned about the impact of this mandate on upward mobility. Electric cars are financially out of reach of many, and if mandated, the cost of used gasoline powered vehicles will also sky rocket, and so will the cost of oil based fuel. Let those who are interested in transition to electric powered vehicles do so as they please. How is electricity produced in Delaware? According to wiki, electricity is "The corresponding electrical energy generation mix in 2021 was 86% natural gas, 6.8% coal, 1.7% biomass, 5.0% solar, 0.4% petroleum, and 0.1% wind. Distributed small-scale solar, including customer-owned photovoltaic panels, delivered an additional net 124 GWh to the state's electricity grid. This compares as more than twice the amount generated by Delaware's utility-scale solar facilities." How will our state support our electrical grid or provide the infrastructure to charge all these vehicles and at what expense to the taxpayer? Any reasonably minded and forward-thinking person wants to improve the air quality and help lesson impacts on the planet.... but it is of my humble opinion that you do that by winning over the hearts and minds of the people, not by mandating their behavior or impacting their wallets. Teach people how to make small eco-friendly changes in the home day to day. And encourage those who can to move to electricity powered vehicles