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Comments:

While I understand the intent behind the proposed mandate, I am opposed to the regulation. Not only does the infrastructure to charge these vehicles not currently exist to the extend that would be necessary, the supply does not currently exist either. Further the cost of these vehicles is significantly more than gas powered vehicles which puts an unfair burden on those that can least afford it. You are in essence telling those without the financial means to purchase a new EV that their only option going forward, will be to purchase a used vehicle if they wish to register it in the state of Delaware. How unfair and demeaning is that? Without a mandate, over time, people's buying habits will naturally lead to more purchasing electric vehicles. It is already happening. It has happened with all previous new technology. But forcing people to adopt it before they are ready or financially able and before the infrastructure to support it in place, sets a bad precedent. 30% of the states gross greenhouse gas emissions comes from vehicles. Why not look to reduce the remaining 70% of the cause?