

EV mandate.

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The idea of the EV mandate needs to be **trashed!** It is not workable and will only cause hardships on the Delaware population by "jamming it down their throats." Here are just 20 short bullets of bad things:

1. Short Range Anxiety
2. Long charging times
3. Trip Planning Problems
4. Mostly only good for urban use
5. Not very Environmentally Friendly
6. Too Expensive in many ways.
7. Repair Difficulties (availability and expense)
8. Too Heavy in weight
9. Cold Temperature Issues
10. Low Top Speeds
11. Highway Driving Power Consumption
12. High Heavy Load Power Consumption (trailers etc.)
13. Ease of tracking your movements
14. Just plain ugly
15. Major Car Companies aren't sure about the future with EV
16. Practically Unusable in other countries.
17. Buyers consider them a gimmick
18. An EV can't be the only vehicle in a household
19. Threatening existing economic models
20. A hard sell (depreciation, trade-ins, resale values)

There are more issues that are not listed.

Additionally, people are leaving California in droves to get out of the state. In a recent listing, California was listed in last place (number 50 or the worst) in economic development. It is a sad day when trying to be like California.

It is wrong on so many levels.

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There should be NO government intervention on electric vehicles, especially with a “force-feed” mandate that is incomprehensible in relation to the real world. Let the market place take care of the situation. There are those that can use and want to use electric vehicles, such as short commutes to work. However, that concept does NOT work for everyone. “Jamming something down people’s throat” is not to be tolerated.

One only needs to look at the government’s history of intervention with shopping bags to see the absurdity. Paper bags were suddenly outlawed causing a fracas for people. They had to switch to plastic bags and people got used to the plastic verses the paper bags. Then with another deadline, everyone had to switch again. Now, paper bags are back as the plastic is outlawed. What a circus? And now it looks like paper and plastic bags will be outlawed permanently. Just a lot of time and effort wasted for no reason as we are back where we started before governmental intervention, only have all bags taken away.

I reported earlier that if one wants to be like California, then they should go there. People are disgusted with California and are leaving the state in droves. I mentioned that 340,000 people left the state in 2022. I realize that this is a small sampling, but it is very indicative of the attitude toward California’s out of control mandates. I know five people that lives/lived in California. Two of the five have already moved out of the state. Another one is trying to get out as fast as she can and has only been delayed because personal issues with health and ability to move. I haven’t heard from the other two individuals. Although, only a same sample, it portrays that people want out of the crazy state.

A forced mandate for electric vehicles is doomed for failure before it would even start. Why waste time and money on such a bizarre “force it on the people” mandate?

Please read the following picture of an article which is only one item on the downside of Electric Vehicles:

The batteries in an electric car weigh about 500 kg. To make a car battery of this type, you need to process 10 tonnes of salt for the required lithium, 15 tonnes of ore for the required cobalt, two tonnes of ore to get enough nickel and 12 tonnes of copper ore. In total, you have to process 200 tonnes of soil to make a single battery.

As if that wasn't enough, this pollutes more than a petrol/diesel car does in 20 years of normal consumption.

Think twice before you buy a new car.

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Then consider the following picture of a burning Electric Vehicle. Fires are happening all too frequently. Imagine if someone's house burned because of a car that they were forced to purchase as in the second picture.



And then there is the necessity of using normal technology to support this brain storm. The following picture is a diesel generator supplying a charge for a bus with a dead battery. How is this helpful in any sense? Suppose there are kids on the bus that now have no heat in the cold weather while waiting for the battery to charge. If the bus had run out of gas, a few gallons of gas (or diesel) could be delivered to get the kids on their way.



Forget the Electric Vehicle mandate as it is an abominable concept. Town hall meetings should be canceled along with the concept. Further, it is much more important to have safe driving in the State of Delaware.

Maybe it will be similar to shopping bags for vehicles. Simply outlaw all vehicles and make people walk. Anybody want to buy a horse?

The idea of an Electric Vehicle mandate (force feeding down people's throats) is an intolerable attack on the constituents of Delaware. Delaware is not a "**Dictatorship**" the last time I checked. There is nothing good about this. It will cause hardships, especially financial and operational and perhaps even their death if people should get caught in a burning EV car. I have provided additional information in the following pages. Nothing is convincing me that this a smart move. Quite the contrary. In the one article about a burning vehicle, it stated that one fire contributed more toxins etc., than a truck would in 24 years of service. I can't imagine why anyone would want to risk people's finances and lives for a force feed of something that is not workable.

Here is one person's look into the future of California.



Further, abandon the idea of shoving Electric Vehicles on Delawareans. There is a video on FaceBook of an electric pickup that is stranded along road with a dead battery. (The post has a huge amount of negative comments about how stupid this is.) In this case, the pickup is carrying a gas powered generator in the back. Driver is using the generator to charge the vehicle while waiting for an extended time for battery to charge before he can continue. Can't anyone see the lunacy in this? I have added two pictures from video to show the generator in back with plug in front charging.

