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Comments:

Why is Delaware emulating a failed California policy? This technology's defect of insufficient battery power requiring constant recharging, the great burden on the electric grid trying to charge thousands of vehicles day and night, the lack of infrastructure to charge vehicles in homes, businesses, and on the street, the battery power affected by weather, headwinds, uphill, etc. reducing battery power and distance are all factors that will make this policy fail. Our current electricity costs in Delaware are #16 (highest) out of the 50 states; the electricity costs will greatly increase as vehicle charging and other electric demands further strain the grid resulting in brown outs and blackouts. Example: California instructed citizens to not charge their vehicles as the grid could not handle the demands during a weather event. Who is paying for me to purchase an electric vehicle, who is paying to replace the short-lived battery, why are out of state drivers allowed to drive a gas-powered vehicle, but I am not? Where are we disposing of these hazardous batteries, what is the impact of manufacturing these toxic and dangerous (vehicle fires) batteries? How is Delaware to be competitive in manufacturing, business, supply chain etc. when we are dependent on unpredictable modes of transportation, and our citizens and businesses are at a disadvantage with these fickle, dangerous (fires) and expensive to maintain and operate vehicles? Why are we emulating failed socialist/communist standards when the United States has been the most successful, powerful, wealthy nation by allowing we the people of our Republic to be free to choose how to live, work and worship? Chaining people never yields good results. This will fail, it is not thought through, it is a foolish idea and will result in people moving out of the state just like they are in California and other blue states that utilize tyranny against their citizens. DNREC needs to utilize common sense and listen to we the people they are not elected officials.