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Delaware is a pleasant state in which to live, but the Electric Vehicle (EV) Mandate will impose a burden on Delawareans that they cannot sustain. EVs are much more expensive than combustion engines, not only to purchase, but also to drive and maintain; quick charging EVs stations charge nearly as much as a tank of gasoline. Replacement EV batteries can cost as much as \$20,000. The homeowner will have to install a 2nd meter for \$225 and then hire an electrician for \$1,000 to install the plug. But, what about the people living in the Cities of Wilmington and Dover? How will they charge their cars? In addition, EVs are actually bad for the environment. If an EV catches fire, it is not only dangerous to the firemen, but also toxic to the environment. EV batteries will increase the amount of toxic material in landfills and, of course, fossil fuels provide 90% of electricity, which is what is needed to charge a battery. The rare earth minerals that are needed to be mined to create the batteries are causing environmental problems in Africa as well as causing serious health issues and birth defects there. Do you not care what you are doing to Africa and her people? If you really care about people and the environment, then you will realize that the EV Mandate is bad for us and the planet.