

**Subject:** Zero-emission vehicle mandate

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**From:** Dawson Bus

**To:** HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in response to the article posted in the Delaware State News by Representative Rich Collins regarding the Zero-emission vehicle sales mandate. I wanted to express that I share the same attitudes and feelings towards the mandate that Representative Collins expressed in that this mandate is the wrong choice to push into action for the state of Delaware. I do not agree with the thought process behind Delaware enforcing mandates that are being implemented in the state of California as the two states are drastically different with their own distinctive issues. Furthermore, on the subject of vehicle emissions the two states leave a radically different imprint due to size which was addressed in the article. I do not feel that this mandate is a necessary one for the state of Delaware given the information provided in the article highlighting that the vast majority of the air pollution hovering over our state is the result of our neighboring states and not from Delaware. At this time, I find the notion to mandate an increase in electric vehicle use to be unwarranted and unsustainable. There is a current lack of infrastructure to support the charging and maintenance of these vehicles along with the expense that comes with purchasing an electric vehicle. I agree with Representative Collins that I find the potential spending into this project to have damaging effects in the future.

In summary, I agree with Representative Collins viewpoints surrounding the Zero-emission vehicle sales mandate and feel that it would be the wrong choice to push into effect for the State of Delaware.

Bests,

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