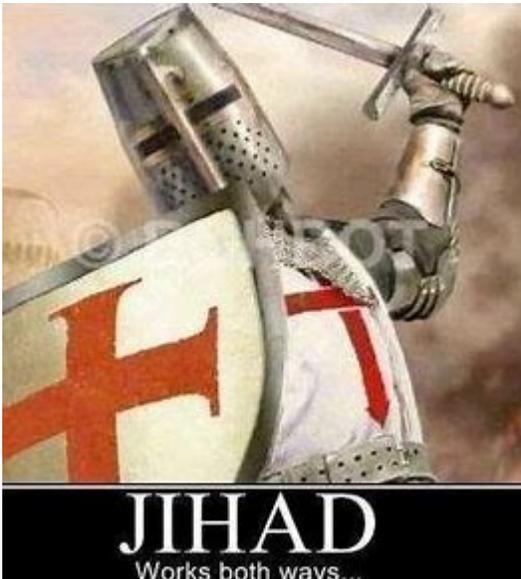


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As a Delaware resident I am strongly opposed to the EV Mandate. The oil and gas industry has raised my wife when she was a child and raised our family as I have worked in it since my discharge from the US Army. This mandate would put needless financial burden on my family and overwhelm Delaware's electrical grid. The grid currently isn't equipped to provide the amount of power that would be needed to support the charging stations that are required to enact this type of mandate. According to the 2020 census, there are 415, 915 registered vehicles in Delaware and growing, so how many charging stations will be installed and at what cost to the citizens? My wife works in Philadelphia and travels I-495, 5-5:30 AM on various days each week and the speed limit signs on I-495 are solar powered and do not work because they cannot store enough power to keep them on from late September through March, and on rainy days, not at all. Her work schedule doesn't allow for her to utilize mass transit so that isn't an option. Our electric bill has almost tripled in the last year and keeps rising. How much more will it rise due to the addition of the charging stations? The average family cannot afford the EV much less the cost to modify their electric supply to allow for charging at home. An EV mandate would affect many businesses forcing them to close and eliminate a lot of jobs with my family being one of them. Where will those folks find new jobs? Should the EV mandate come into play, my family will leave the state to survive. Then there is the environment we are supposed to be helping, how will this affect it? Where will all the current fossil fuel vehicles go? Where will the parts for the EV's come from? Where will the used batteries of the EV's go? Currently the EV batteries and wind turbine blades must be buried. That's great for the environment. Where will the solar and wind energy come from? Will our farms be replaced with solar panels and wind farms? If that happens, where will our food come from and what about the wildlife? This is overreach of government bureaucracy, enacting policies without thinking forward enough to the impact it will have on the economy and environment for the future. Kind of like replacing the paper bag in the 80's with the plastic bag. What has that done to the environment and wildlife?

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