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Comments:

I believe that Governor Carney is jumping the gun on the EV mandates . As usual the unintended consequences have not been considered. Whenever the government starts pushing an agenda there end up being more problems than the one that was intended to be fixed.Cash for clunkers and bank bailouts come to mind. Our country is not prepared for full implementation of solar, wind energy, electric vehicles especially within the next 10 years. It is a process that will take decades to achieve especially with the fact that currently 70-80% of electricity is from fossil fuels. By forcing these mandates we will end up with more expensive energy and problems with implemenation. Let the marketplace set the pace. The people that you will be hurting are the poor and middle class who will not be able to afford these vehicles even if prices drop. The powers that be are so out of touch with the everyday person, one person suggested that have dropped to \$30,000! that is not affordable for most people are buying cars under \$10,000. Maintenance will also be very expensive. I haven't even mentioned the dependency we will have on China. Due to the minerals needed for batteries that we cannot mine in our country. My brother owns a large battery distribution company. He will not stock any electric vehicle batteries due to their cost. Please do not force this mandate on the residents of Delaware. If a decision such as this needs to be made , it must go through the legislative process , not someone who is accountable to no one. The majority of people of this state are opposed to this mandate.