

Infringing of right to choose

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Dear Mr. Krall,

> Upon hearing the recent proposal by DNREC to eliminate gas powered vehicles by 2025 and prohibit them by 2035, I strongly disagree.

> Firstly, Delawareans have accepted higher prices for fuel than our neighboring states to decrease emissions and our cars have been adapted to meet air quality regulations; however now telling people what type of vehicle they can purchase is overstepping. People will just go elsewhere to purchase vehicles and gasoline...losing revenue for Delaware.

> Secondly, the EVs of today are not ready to be used for long distance travel or delivery/work related service without significant impacts to jobs or supply chain, nor are the batteries reliable sources for use in severe temperatures. If DNREC is so concerned about the environment, look into the hazards these batteries will cause in the future for disposal.

Thirdly, the cost of these vehicles is not in the budget range for most Delaware residents, particularly those on a fixed income and families. Many folks are currently struggling to put food in the table due to inflation everywhere we turn.

Mr. Krall, my opinion on this issue is clearly negative. I strongly suggest DNREC focus on the environmental impacts all the overdevelopment of this area (Sussex county), is having or very soon will have on providing clean/safe drinking water, sewage/waste removal and processing, and preserving our farmland and natural resources. My hope is that you will recognize the more imminent concerns of Delaware residents and not be swayed by political agendas. We are not California!

Submitted by Lori Cain

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