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Electric Vehicle (EV) use mandated by law is, in short, against the Constitution of the United States of America.

There are many barriers to entry for a mandated use of electric vehicles, a few are listed below.

• The Country clearly does not have the infrastructure in place to keep the power grid functioning during regular use to-date, evident by brownout, blackouts and in some cases even rolling blackouts experienced locally, across the State and the Nation.

• How is it remotely realistic to think mandating EV use can be supported by the current infrastructure that will not be robustly increased by 2026? This is not feasible or realistic. Even if the idea is for a gradual phased approach, there is nothing in place to secure the infrastructure required to meet the demands generate by EV created by the proposed unconstitutional mandate.

• Understand the requirements to create EV batteries and disposal of those batteries. The batteries alone create a greater hazard than the challenge that is being professed to address. The number of years it has taken to bring us to where we are due to greenhouse gases versus how quickly (less than a decade) of hazards that are/will be create from EV batteries manufacturing, use, and disposal.

Do not point to California and say, "they did it, we can too."

Demonstrate Washington State and the United States of America has performed due diligence to address the major concerns listed above and then take it to a national vote before you restrict my liberties on what I can purchase, drive, or how to live.

I love the United States of America, I was born and raised here, I pick-up litter, I am mindful about recycling, reusing, my carbon footprint and I contribute to the well-being of the planet. I am not inclined to give up my God given rights or those identified in the Constitution of the United States of America.

This EV mandate is not the answer to the problem you seek to resolve.