

STATEMENT

Carl Marlinga supports the Biden electric vehicle mandate which some say will cost Michigan workers 25,000 jobs and the US 120,000 jobs, and calls efforts to protect those jobs “outdated thinking.”

Verification

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In 2022, Marlinga Criticized Oil Companies And America’s “Crazy Dependence On Fossil Fuels,” Despite His History Of Doing Legal Work For An Oil Company

In His 2022 Vote Smart Political Courage Questionnaire, Marlinga Criticized America’s “Crazy Dependence On Fossil Fuels.” (Carl Marlinga’s Michigan Congressional Election 2022 Political Courage Test, [VoteSmart](#), Accessed 10/25/23)

● Energy and Environment

Yes ● Do you support government funding for the development of renewable energy (e.g. solar, wind, geo-thermal)?

Yes ● Do you support the federal regulation of greenhouse gas emissions?

Nature lavishes upon us more energy in a day than human being can use in a decade. We allow almost all of it to go to waste with our crazy dependence on fossil fuels.

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In July 2022, Marlinga Accused Oil Companies Of Price Gouging And Reiterated His Support For Reducing U.S. Dependence On Oil. “Marlinga and Arraf accused the oil companies of price gouging in recent months. Marlinga said the country needs to reduce its reliance on fossil fuels not only to combat climate change but to reduce the negative world-wide influence of nations such as Russia, Saudi Arabia and Iran ‘who can control foreign policy and intimidate their neighbors because they sit on top of a lot of oil and gas.’” (Jameson Cook, “Marlinga Explains His Tie To Conservative Supreme Court Justices,” [The Macomb Daily](#), 7/6/22)

EV Mandates Cost Jobs

According To The America First Policy Institute, Biden's Proposed Electric Vehicle Mandate Would Eliminate Michigan 25,000 Jobs And Almost 120,000 U.S. Jobs.

“Proposed Biden Administration regulations would require Americans to switch to electric vehicles they do not want. Under the draft rules, auto manufacturers would be required to increase the proportion of electric vehicles they sell from 6% to 67% in less than a decade. Electric vehicles have fewer parts and require considerably less labor to manufacture than conventional gas-powered vehicles. As a result, mass vehicle electrification will eliminate many jobs. The Biden Administration’s mandate would eliminate a net 117,000 auto manufacturing jobs nationwide. The Midwest would bear the brunt of these losses. Even under a best-case scenario, the Biden EV mandate would cost Michigan (-25,000), Indiana (-16,000), and Ohio (-14,000) tens of thousands of auto manufacturing jobs.” (James Shrek and Jacob Sagert, “Research Report: Proposed EV Mandates Would Eliminate 117,000 Auto Manufacturing Jobs,” [America First Policy Institute](#), 7/13/23)