

## Castle touts hybrids (Delaware Business Ledger)

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Rep. Michael N. Castle (R-DE), says promoting the development of improved fuel efficiency has never been more important. To increase awareness of green initiatives and alternative energy, Rep. Castle recently hosted a hybrid test drive on Capitol Hill.

Castle invited all Members of Congress to test drive the Dodge Durango and Chrysler Aspen HEMI Hybrids, as well and learn about the technology Chrysler and Dodge are using to develop these products, an issue of growing importance as Congress tries to advance innovation in energy and fuel efficiency policy. The HEMI Hybrid vehicles that Rep. Castle test drove today use both electric and conventional power train systems to achieve up to 40% improvement in fuel efficiency.

"These hybrids, constructed at the Newark Assembly in Delaware, were so easy to drive. I think that with gas prices at an all time high, we will see more types and varieties of affordable, fuel efficient vehicles," said Rep. Castle. "Congress continues to play politics with the tax credits that I believe are key to bolstering the innovative technologies that American consumers are demanding."