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As someone who grew up in NJ, works in a gas station in Oregon, but lives in Washington, it is beyond time for these two states to go to a self service option for drivers. With most companies cutting costs, you have one attendant who is running around like crazy, manning 12 fuel pumps. People traveling from other states who are rude, ignorant and pissed that they can't pump their own gas, they don't want to wait for the attendant to take care of other customers, and money grubbing people who are quick to say an attendant did damage to their car with the fuel pumps. Then there are the mistakes that are made, for instance, putting regular in a diesel (and before someone says that can't happen unless you're stupid, oh yes it can. I have seen plenty of diesel tanks with NO markings, no different sized opening, and no color coding), the station pays out of pocket to fix the engine, and that costs thousands. I'm a woman, I have always pumped my own gas, I prefer to pump my own gas and I don't care what kind of weather it is, I am not going to melt. If there are mistakes made, only I am doing it. I never get gas in Oregon unless it is at my own station and I pump my own. If we want to keep Full Service as an option, that would be awesome! But people should have the right to choose, and not be threatened with a fine or the law when it comes to their own vehicle. Only TWO states take that right away.

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[@Nita C](#) Nah, this is NJ...where preserving low wage, low skill jobs takes priority over all.

[Whatareyoulookingat](#)

It won't be long before QuickChek and Wawa drive every other gas station out of the state. I will not complain, they employ citizens and pay above minimum wage. I'm used to pumping my own diesel anyway so it does not bother me. If the gas station is busy when I'm driving the other car, I get out and start the pump.

[dluxx](#)

Since moving from NJ and coming back fairly often, there is nothing more annoying than having to wait for someone to pump my gas. Stupid law for lazy people (whom are arguing against self service). No your hands don't have the "stench of gasoline" and if they do, go wash them in the bathroom. Is that too hard to do? Cold and wet weather? Put a jacket on, and last time I checked most gas stations have canopies over the pumps. And are you really concerned about that illegal immigrant and his family, pumping your gas for \$6.00/hr and working a 12 hour shift? Tell that fat \$*!& in Trenton to let you have the option.

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[@dluxx](#) Yes, the wait to pump gas is so long. I actually sometimes have to wait five minutes. It then puts me behind for the rest of the day and sometimes into the next day.

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I don't think anyone here is suggesting that full service be eliminated. But why not let those that want self serve have that option if they want to save a dollar or two on a tankful, or risk having a careless attendant damage their car?

[dman944](#)

I always pump my own gas. At least at the service stations that I frequent near my house. The attendants appreciate that when I pull in, they don't even have to get up. It's ridiculous that we can't pump our own gas.

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I have no problem pumping my own gas. The reason the law exists, or so I've been told, is to aid those that can't pump their own (the wheelchair bound individual). In most other states, there are two prices, one for self-serve and the other to have the attendant pump the gas for you.

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[@raradevils](#) The actual reason that the law that prohibits us from pumping our own gas dates back to 1949 and claims the reason was, "safety procedures; health hazards from breathing in gas fumes; and "significant inconveniences and dangers, including the risks of crime and fall-related personal injury, which are a special burden to drivers with physical infirmities, such as the handicapped and some senior citizens." Of course they didn't foresee advancements in any of those issues and politicians being what they are, never admitting to past errors, simply have not evolved enough to recognize that we are not the primitive, clumsy folk we were back then. Personally, I prefer pumping my own gas and wish our state would get on the ball and repeal that archaic law.

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I don't know about other states, but I do know that in Kentucky many stations that have multiple pumps offer self serve OR full service. It does cost a couple of cents per gallon more to have the attendant pump the gas for you, but if you are handicapped, older or infirm in any way, this is a blessing, and well worth the extra pennies. Let's face it, self-serve or not, at least one attendant will still be there in those stations that aren't mini marts. Also, the price isn't likely to plummet... No one is just going to turn on the pumps and go home, leaving the property completely unattended during business hours..

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I like to pump it myself. I am more gentle inserting the nozzle and replacing the cap and closing the filler door. Some attendants are abusive, banging and clanging everything... I take very good care of my car, and don't like it man-handled or abused.

[cadwaladerkid](#)

I almost always pump my own gas. And when the attendant comes by they usually say, "thanks".

[inthepines](#)

I'm trying to remember the last time I got gas when the attendant WAS NOT talking on his cell phone while pumping the gas. There's a reason there are signs all over the gas stations warning against cell phone use while pumping gas. Static electricity can start a fire just as easily as a lit cigarette, yet the attendant speaking on his phone the whole time doesn't care. I say let us pump our own gas... End the nanny state.