

REVENUE: Revenue statement issued

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Referred to the Committee on Revenue by Prior Reference
<b>Vote:</b>	6 - 2 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Beyer, Lindsay, Nathanson, Sheehan, Bentz, Read
<b>Nays:</b>	Smith J., Weidner
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/16, 4/4

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Creates a vehicle road usage charge to account for road use by motorists who do not pay a fuel tax.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Privacy concerns from citizens
- Potential problems with implementing technology
- Prohibitive cost of implementation for the pilot phase
- A miles-traveled system is an accurate representation of highway use
- A flat fee as an alternate method
- The need to replace the gas tax as automobiles move away from petroleum

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces the original measure.

**BACKGROUND:** The concept of a road usage fee is a response to the declining real value of fuel tax. The advent of more efficient vehicles on the road has resulted in reduced revenues not accounted for by road users. By initially implementing a road user transportation fee with hybrids and plug-in hybrids, the vehicles not accounted for by the traditional funding mechanism will be accounted for. Workgroups determined that global positioning system-based method was perceived to infringe upon privacy and elected for a mileage-based system.