

FULL COMMITTEE PONY

**Department of Transportation
Fuel Tax Evasion**

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends approval for the Department of Transportation to apply for \$250,000 from the US Federal Highway Administration's Fuel Tax Evasion – Intergovernmental Enforcement Effort program.

This grant program provides funding for projects that enhance compliance with motor fuel and highway use taxes, specifically for enforcement efforts to identify and reduce fuel tax evasion. If awarded, ODOT will use the grant funds on four programs and projects related to implementation of the agency's new on-line tax reporting and fuel tax system for motor carriers. This two-year grant does not require matching funds, and the application is due on July 17th of this year.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends approval of the request.