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On Behalf Of:

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I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Governor's proposal that includes significant gas tax increases, steep hikes in vehicle title and registration fees, and a drastic doubling of paycheck deductions. This proposal places an unacceptable financial burden on working families, small businesses, and everyday commuters who are already struggling with high costs of living.

What is even more concerning is the attempt to shift tax-raising authority away from the elected Legislature and into the hands of unelected bureaucrats. If this bill passes, it would effectively allow gas taxes to be raised without a single vote from our representatives, stripping the people of their voice in the process.

We elect our legislators to make tough decisions and be accountable to voters. Handing over that power to administrative agencies is a dangerous move that undermines transparency, accountability, and democracy.

I urge you to reject this proposal. Let's work together on policies that improve infrastructure responsibly, not by taxing residents out of their paychecks and bypassing the legislative process.

Sincerely,
JT Woods
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