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Legislation Would Freeze State's Gasoline Tax And Preserve Millions For Road, Bridge Programs

Legislation has been introduced in the West Virginia Senate designed to maintain millions of dollars in funding for West Virginia's roads, bridges and highways. The bill, S.B. 680, would freeze the state's wholesale gasoline tax for the 2010 calendar year. The legislation was introduced by state Senators Bob Plymale, D-Wayne, and Brooks McCabe, D-Kanawha. With falling gasoline prices, the current 11.7 cents a gallon wholesale tax could drop 3 cents to 5 cents in 2010. At \$14 million for each penny of wholesale tax, the W.Va. DOH could lose between \$42 million and \$70 million in 2010.

WVBT's Promotional Effort Attracts 600+

Congratulations to _____, who is with the Mid-Atlantic _____. He was selected from more than 600 other registrants to be the lucky winner of a new 42-inch plasma TV. The giveaway was a promotional campaign hosted by West Virginians for Better Transportation, and it was held as part of the 30th Annual W.Va. Construction & Design Exposition, which is being held this next week (March 25-26) at the Charleston Civic Center. The annual EXPO brings together hundreds of companies to showcase their goods, services and products to the state's construction, engineering and architectural industries. Approximately 6,000 people from across the United States attend the EXPO to see new products, talk to knowledgeable exhibitors and attend valuable seminars. For more information, please go to: www.wvexpo.com.

Help Maintain, Provide Funds For WVBT's Ongoing Efforts

To support its ongoing efforts, please consider providing or maintaining financial support in 2009 to West Virginians for Better Transportation. Financial support is the investment that is producing results such as these:

- WVBT provided support to congressional passage of a federal stimulus package that likely will provide \$240 million in added transportation funding.
- WVBT's efforts have helped to preserve or increase more than \$180 million in state funding for our transportation infrastructure.

Even with these successes, West Virginia still has massive unmet needs (\$2 billion) for bridge, roadway and highway maintenance and construction.

Need A Speaker?

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http://www.keepwvmoving.org/getactive/request_a_wvbt_speaker.aspx

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