



## Don't Underestimate the Mischievousness of Government When They See Their Political Future on the Line

Advice: Don't Just Do Something Stand There  
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Several Senate (not House) Democrats are proposing a Federal Gasoline Tax Holiday. It is a mistake on so many levels. While it has no chance of passage, the proposal ignores diesel Taxes and will rile the truckers. Are they not watching what's going on in Canada and soon to be coming to a major highway near you?

It would result in a gross cost to treasury and the highway program of close to \$2.2 Billion per month if it is waived. Why do we believe it wouldn't be extended after the end of the year? The net cost would be closer to \$ 1.8 Billion/month since I assume that upwards of 15% would be exempted from tax (government, military, etc.).

It is (typically for government) a shotgun approach and not a targeted one. It benefits the wealthy who drive more and can afford it as well as the low-income consumer who drives less. An average consumer who uses 600 gallons per year or 50 gallons per month would save \$9.20/month.

This should immediately be seen for what it is: a cheap political trick to look like they are doing something. **DON'T JUST DO SOMETHING, STAND THERE.**