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Rep. Hutton Introduces Gas Tax Transparency Legislation

MADISON – Today, Representative Rob Hutton (R-Brookfield) circulated legislation that would require Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) to place stickers identifying the current gas tax on fuel pumps during their regular yearly inspections.

“People have a right to know how much they are paying in taxes,” said Rep. Hutton. “When it comes to the gas tax that cost is often hidden because there is no requirement for that tax to be advertised separately from the cost of gas. This is a commonsense bill that will provide transparency so Wisconsin families know exactly how much they are paying each time they fill up.”

Wisconsin’s combined gas tax is 51¢ per gallon. At an average price of \$2.67 per gallon that amounts to a 19% tax. That tax costs the average family with a minivan approximately \$10 each time they fill up.

The legislation would require DATCP to design a sticker that will be placed at each gas pump around Wisconsin. This sticker will identify the current federal and state gas tax and will be placed on fuel pumps during DATCP’s annual pump inspection.

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The 13th Assembly District contains parts of Milwaukee and Waukesha counties and includes Elm Grove and portions of Brookfield, Milwaukee, Wauwatosa, and West Allis.