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Good afternoon. I was reading some of the thoughts on this bill by some Representatives. I'd like to comment.

First, as an Alaskan, I don't care what other states do. We can chart our own course.

Second, if we keep our fuel taxes low we should be proud of that fact. Higher taxes are not a badge of honor. Nor do they necessarily indicate a greener government structure.

Third, it looks like lots of entities/people want carve outs. Like if I use fuel for my lawn mower it should not be included or my outboard motor. Who is really going to figure that out and get exemptions somehow. Maybe, if we are bound to do something like this, eliminate all carve outs and raise the tax only a cent or two instead of doubling it.

We don't know what's going to happen on the federal level as to carbon taxes (hopefully none) or fuel surcharges of all kinds or even the base cost of fuel before taxes. Less may well be more in this case for the people of this state & those interested in touring the Great Land.

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