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Hon. Daniel J. Cameron
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Dear General Cameron:

As you know, gas prices in the United States and in the Commonwealth are hitting record highs nearly every day. This pain at the pump comes on top of other consequences of increased inflation that are hurting Kentuckians and their families. To protect Kentuckians from further harm caused by rising inflation and high gas prices, today the Kentucky Department of Revenue promulgated an emergency administrative regulation to freeze the gas tax. This action maintains the average wholesale price and annual survey value for the current fiscal year, and stops an increase in the gas tax that would have taken effect on July 1, 2022.

Along with freezing the gas tax, I wanted to explore with you whether or not I should declare a state of emergency related to gas prices in order to activate and implement the price gouging statutes, KRS 367.372 to 367.378, and further protect Kentuckians. Please let my office know by Friday, June 10, 2022, if your office determines that investigating price gouging in gas prices would be warranted.

I remain ready to work collaboratively with you and your office to prevent Kentuckians from being harmed by price gouging. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "AB", representing Andy Beshear.

Andy Beshear
Governor