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Van Roy Forges Compromise On Anti-Price Gouging Measure

MADISON – Rep. Karl Van Roy (R-Howard) is calling for the passage of Assembly Bill 786, a bill that will protect Wisconsin consumers from price gouging at the pump. Van Roy co-authored an amendment to the bill along with Rep. Samantha Kerkman (R-Randall) and Rep. Josh Zepnick (D-Milwaukee) which represents a bipartisan compromise supported by the Governor and the Attorney General. This important measure comes at a time of soaring gas prices and calls at the national level for investigations into oil industry price-gouging.

“Rising gas prices have plagued Wisconsin families for quite some time now,” said Van Roy. “People aren’t just running out of money—they’re running out of patience. That is why I worked to get people past the political gridlock in Madison and helped forge this bi-partisan solution that will give Wisconsin families some protection at the pump.”

“While the people are paying record high prices, oil companies are making record high profits,” continued Van Roy. “It’s one thing when the market raises prices; it’s another when companies rake people over the coals to make astronomical profits. We legislators must do what we can at a state level to keep costs under control. I supported the repeal of gas tax indexing and cutting the gas tax earlier this session. But we have to do more. Passing AB 786 is the next step we need.”

“Skyrocketing gas prices affect every consumer in Wisconsin. Even those who don’t drive are affected by higher costs for goods and services that require transportation,” Van Roy stated. “When an issue deeply affects this many people, you have to put the R’s and the D’s behind your names aside, roll up your sleeves, and work together for the good of the citizens of this state.”

The Assembly Judiciary Committee will hear AB 786 today at 9am. The bill is expected to pass the State Assembly when legislators convene this afternoon.