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**Date:** 5/2/2017 11:53:13 AM  
**Subject:** RE: MEDIA REQUEST - FW: Website email from abe hardesty

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Do you know if the current bill includes any exemptions for non-profits? There is nothing in the bill that directly creates an exemption for a non-profit for any of the provisions. However, there may be something elsewhere in the Code that would exempt non-profits. (For instance, the Code section for non-profit organizations may list fees and taxes that they are exempt from and they code thus be exempt from the increases. Since the bill doesn't really create any new fees, it could be that there exemptions from them somewhere in the code already.)

Also, do you know if all revenue projects are based on sales of fuel remaining at current levels? According to the Fiscal Impact Statement the projections are based on data from the U.S. Department of Energy, so it's not clear whether the projections are based on current fuel levels or potential fluctuations.

*Best Regards,*  
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Can you put together the answers?

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Below is a request for response from Independent Mail on Gas Tax received by the Ltgov account

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Kevin: I'm working on a story about how the bill increasing gas tax and vehicle registrations would impact businesses and non-profits. Do you know if the current bill includes any exemptions for non-profits? Also, do you know if all revenue projects are based on sales of fuel remaining at current levels? ... thanks, abe hardesty

Independent Mail 864 260 1252... must finish story Tuesday 6 pm

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