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**Joint Committee on Finance Removes the Minimum Markup Repeal From  
The Budget**

***WPMCA applauds the Joint Committee on Finance for recognizing that this  
policy would not produce one penny for new roads***

*Madison, Wis. (May 9, 2019) – “We are obviously pleased that the Joint Committee on Finance recognized this policy suggestion for what it was – a gimmick to distract consumers from a significant gas tax increase,”* said Matt Hauser, President and CEO of the Wisconsin Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association. “According to the Legislative Fiscal Bureau, repealing the minimum markup and weakening the Unfair Sales Act won’t bring a penny of new revenue for roads. Not one cent.”

The [May 1, 2019 Joint Committee on Finance memo](#) identified numerous budget items that are policy issues that should be managed outside the budget process.

“Wisconsin consumers deserve more than gimmicks when addressing policies for addressing transportation issues in the state. Let’s work together to find real solutions.”

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*WPMCA represents over 2,000 independent petroleum marketers, convenience store owners, truck stop and travel plaza operators, automotive oil change outlets and other automotive service providers throughout Wisconsin. These companies sell over 80 percent of the motor fuel and nearly all the farm fuel and heating oil asold in Wisconsin. For more information, go to [www.wpmca.org](http://www.wpmca.org).*