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## AMO Policy Update – Getting Ontario Connected Act, Proposed Gas Tax Reduction

## Remarks to Standing Committee on Bill 93, *Getting Ontario Connected Act, 2022*

On March 30, 2022, AMO Executive Director, Brian Rosborough, made a presentation on behalf of members to the Standing Committee on General Government regarding Bill 93, the *Getting Ontario Connected Act*. AMO and municipal governments place critical importance on internet and cellular connectivity for our residents and businesses, and AMO's remarks to the Standing Committee can be found here.

## **Province Proposes Gas and Fuel Tax Reduction for Six Months**

The province has announced that it is introducing legislation, that if passed, would cut the gas tax by 5.7 cents per litre and fuel tax by 5.3 cents per litre for six months beginning July 1, 2022. AMO has been assured by the province that this will not impact the associated municipal transit funding.

Effective July 1 until December 31, 2022, the gas tax rate would be cut from 14.7 cents per litre to 9 cents per litre, representing a cut of 5.7 cents per litre. The fuel tax rate, which includes diesel, would be reduced from 14.3 cents per litre to 9 cents per litre, representing a cut of 5.3 cents per litre.

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