



**151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL NOTE**

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| <b>BILL:</b>        | <b>SENATE BILL NO. 254</b>   |
| <b>SPONSOR:</b>     | <b>Senator Pettyjohn</b>   |
| <b>DESCRIPTION:</b> | <b>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE MOTOR FUEL TAX.</b> |

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**Assumptions:**

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature of the Governor; and expires 30 days after enactment into law.
2. This Act suspends the state taxes on motor fuel for 30 days.
3. The current tax rate on motor fuels is 23 cents per gallon. The current tax rate on special motor fuel (diesel) is 22 cents per gallon.
4. According to Delaware Department of Transportation, current estimated monthly motor fuel revenue is \$11,000,000.
5. Motor fuel tax is pledged revenue in Delaware Transportation Authority (DTA) Revenue Bonds, and until all outstanding bonds issued under the Trust Agreement are defeased, the State and DTA are prohibited from suspending the motor fuel tax in any manner. The amount needed to settle outstanding DTA bonds is \$1,001,000,000.

**Cost:**

Transportation Trust Fund Revenue Loss

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| Fiscal Year 2022: | \$11,000,000.  |
| Fiscal Year 2023: | Not applicable |
| Fiscal Year 2024: | Not applicable |

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