

# Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce: Statement on transportation budget debate

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**MADISON** – WMC Senior Vice President of Government Relations Scott Manley released the following statement in response to a [memo](#) sent Wednesday from Assembly Speaker Robin Vos regarding the transportation budget:

*“WMC is pleased that the punitive tax on heavy trucks appears to be dead. We look forward to working with lawmakers and Governor Walker on ways to address Wisconsin’s infrastructure needs, and we accept Speaker Vos’s invitation to provide ideas. Reasonable people may disagree on how much additional revenue is needed, but we hope everyone can agree that overspending by \$3 billion on 16 projects is unacceptable. Wisconsin is already overburdened by taxes. Any discussion of revenue increases must include meaningful reforms to reduce costs and spend our current resources more wisely. WMC is encouraged that DOT Secretary Dave Ross is already making progress in this regard.”*