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Business Leaders for Michigan issues statement in response to Senate road funding package

DETROIT, Mich. – Business Leaders for Michigan (BLM), the state's business roundtable, today issued the following statement in response to the road funding package passed by the Michigan Senate.

"The Senate road funding plan is an improvement over the House package. By raising the state's gas tax, it asks the users of our system to help ensure good quality road and bridge conditions," said Doug Rothwell, BLM President and CEO. "However, like the House plan, the Senate package redirects a significant percentage of income tax revenue from the General Fund to transportation. We remain seriously concerned about this shift and the potential negative impact it could have on other critical priorities that are important to growing jobs and our economy."

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About Business Leaders for Michigan:

Business Leaders for Michigan, the state's business roundtable, is dedicated to making Michigan a "Top Ten" state for jobs, personal income and a healthy economy. The organization is composed of the chairpersons, chief executive officers, or most senior executives of Michigan's largest companies and universities. Our members drive 32% of the state's economy, provide nearly 375,000 direct jobs in Michigan, generate over \$1 Trillion in annual revenue and serve nearly one-half of all Michigan public university students. Find out more at: www.businessleadersformichigan.com.