



WMDA/CAR Service Station  
and Automotive Repair Association

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Chair: C.T. Wilson  
Members of Economics Matter Committee

RE: HB800 Price Gouging consumer protection

Position: Oppose

HB 800 could actually hand cuff a governor when using executive order to declare emergency, depending on what the emergency is and where it is located.

All the items listed might not need to be under a declaration and the governor has the authority to decide that.

Example would be a severe weather event in a certain area where all 13 items on list might not have to be under price control. Retailers would have to go over every item in inventory to make sure they did not unintentionally run afoul of the law.

Intent is good, but each incident will have its own needs. Any governor should have leeway to decide this on a case by case basis.

60 days and then 4 days?

Please give HB 800 an unfavorable report

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