

Media Advisory

TODAY: Comptroller to Visit Prince George's Gas Station Alongside Marylanders Impacted By High Prices

Franchot will continue advocating for action to ease pain at the pump

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WHAT: Comptroller Franchot this morning will join small business owners and individuals deeply impacted by high gas prices to continue applying pressure on federal and state lawmakers to take immediate action that would help ease the pain at the pump.

The event in Prince George's County comes less than one week after President Biden called on Congress, states and the petroleum industry to enact a series of measures that would lower record-high gas prices.

The Comptroller first floated a 90-day state gas tax holiday in March; Governor Hogan and the General Assembly agreed to suspend the tax for 30 days. However, since the holiday ended in mid-April, prices have continued to soar and are expected to stay high through the busy summer travel season.

Additionally, due to an automatic increase tied to inflation passed by lawmakers in 2013, Maryland's per-gallon gas tax is set to increase by 6.6 cents to almost 43 cents on July 1. Comptroller Franchot will

once again call on the General Assembly to convene a special session to authorize a three-month gas tax holiday and to pause the automatic increase for one year.

Speakers at today's news conference who will talk about the impact of high gas prices on the lives of everyday Marylanders include a food service delivery driver, a tow truck operator, a nonprofit leader and several local elected officials.

WHEN: TODAY, June 27, 2022
10 a.m.

WHERE: Sunoco Gas Station
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