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CALIFORNIA IS ATTEMPTING TO DIVERT CRITICAL DIESEL EXCISE FUEL TAXES AWAY FROM VITAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS THAT FUND HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND WILL LEAD TO A HIGHER COST OF FUEL.

This week, **Nick Chiappe, Director of Government and Regulatory Affairs**, testified in committee opposing a proposed budget item that would **divert diesel excise fuel taxes** to subsidize a tax credit for sustainable aviation fuel production.



As noted by the Berkeley Haas Energy Institute, this proposal could **decrease diesel excise fuel tax revenue** by up to **75%** within a few years. Nick highlighted that the state is already facing a transportation funding cliff, with road users such as trucks contributing a significant share through diesel excise fuel taxes.

Spring 2026 Government Affairs Update

To learn more about CTA's advocacy efforts like this, please join the **California Trucking Association's Government Affairs** team for our **Webinar: Spring 2026 Government Affairs Update**. This webinar is an invaluable opportunity to stay up to date on the latest legislative and regulatory developments directly affecting the trucking industry in California.

Approximately 2,000 bills have been introduced in the legislature for this year's session. CTA's Government Affairs will provide an overview of legislation that could impact the trucking industry including legislation focused on labor, environmental, tax, and safety policies.

Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions about pending legislation, and **this event is free to all members!**

Secure your spot by registering today.

Tuesday, March 31st

9:00 - 10:00 AM

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