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The sharp increases seen at the gasoline pump affect all Floridian families as we drive to work, operate a small business or take our children to school. Below I have compiled a list of tips for conserving fuel and getting the most out of your automobile:

Aggressive driving (speeding, rapid acceleration and braking) wastes gas. It can lower your gas mileage by 33 percent at highway speeds and by 5 percent around town. Sensible driving is also safer for you and others, so you may save more than gas money.

Fuel Economy Benefit: 5-33% \* Equivalent Gasoline Savings: \$0.19-\$1.23/gallon

You can assume that each 5 mph you drive over 60 mph is like paying an additional \$0.26 per gallon for gas. Observing the speed limit is also safer.

Fuel Economy Benefit: 7-23% \* Equivalent Gasoline Savings: \$0.26-\$0.86/gallon

Replacing a clogged air filter can improve your car's gas mileage by as much as 10 percent. Your car's air filter keeps impurities from damaging the inside of your engine. Not only will replacing a dirty air filter save gas, it will protect your engine.

Fuel Economy Benefit: up to 10% \* Equivalent Gasoline Savings: up to \$0.37/gallon

You can improve your gas mileage approximately 3.3 percent by keeping your tires inflated to the proper pressure. Under-inflated tires can lower gas mileage by 0.4 percent for every 1 psi drop in pressure of all four tires. Properly inflated tires are safer and last longer.

Fuel Economy Benefit: up to 3% \* Equivalent Gasoline Savings: up to \$0.11/gallon

To find the lowest gas prices in your area, please visit the online office of Congressman Gus Bilirakis: bilirakis.house.gov