



WMDA/CAR Service Station and Automotive Repair Association

February 24, 2022

Chair: Delores G. Kelley
Members of Senate Finance Committee

RE: SB 565 - 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 in this bill (13) might not need to be under a declaration in a state of emergency, but the bill leaves a governor no choice.

Example would be Executive Order declaring a State of Emergency on March 1, 2017, because of heroin and opioid crisis. This bill would require him to put 13 items under price control and keep some in place for 90 days after emergency is has ended.

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.

Please give SB 565 an unfavorable Report

WMDA/CAR is a trade association that has represented service stations, convenience stores and independent repair shops since 1937. Any questions can be addressed to Kirk McCauley, 301-775-0221 or kmccauley@wmda.ne