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1 **Relating to:** memorializing Congress to reintroduce and pass the Oil Industry Tax
2 Break Repeal Act.

3 Whereas, the price of motor fuel in Wisconsin is at or near record prices; and

4 Whereas, hikes in the price of gasoline are severely squeezing the finances of
5 all Wisconsin working families at a time when they can least afford to pay higher fuel
6 costs; and

7 Whereas, oil and gas companies reported record profits in 2010 and have again
8 reported record profits in the first quarter of 2011; and

9 Whereas, the 2011 first-quarter net income of Exxon Mobil alone increased 69
10 percent to \$10.7 billion which is up from \$6.3 billion one year ago; and

11 Whereas, consumers ought not be forced to subsidize oil and gas companies
12 record profitability a second time with special industry tax breaks and incentives;
13 and

14 Whereas, the federal government is debating ways to reduce the budget deficit,
15 with high ranking members of the United States Congress advocating for the

