



Transportation "Saves" Time – FUND IT!

Dear Florida Legislator:

We all know that traffic congestion is worsening and that something **MUST** be done about it. In fact, a survey done earlier this year showed that **getting caught in traffic was rated the #1 most hated item...** ranking higher than visiting the dentist or even going shopping on the busiest day of the year!

According to the 2003 Urban Mobility Report, published by the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) at Texas A&M University:

- Florida had the most congested cities in the top 58 urban areas (8).
- **Orlando drivers waste more time in traffic than N.Y. City drivers!**
- The eight Florida areas with the worst traffic congestion are:
 - Miami-Hialeah
 - Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood-Pompano Beach
 - Orlando
 - Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater
 - West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach
 - Fort Myers-Cape Coral
 - Jacksonville, and
 - Pensacola

Simply put, **congestion "robs us" of our most precious possession – our TIME.** Once *wasted* sitting in traffic instead of being used productively with family, friends or coworkers, it's gone forever! That's why we at FBT encourage you to **consider appropriate ways to enhance the level of transportation revenues** for Florida in the 2005 Legislative Session!

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