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Key GOP Lawmaker Releases Last-Ditch Infrastructure Plan.

U.S. Rep. Bill Shuster's draft bill includes gasoline and diesel tax hikes.

The Republican chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee released a draft public works bill on Monday that calls for phasing in a gas tax increase of 15 cents per gallon over three years, along with a raft of other measures.

For U.S. Rep. Bill Shuster, of Pennsylvania, who is not seeking reelection, the proposal amounts to a last ditch attempt during his final months in office to spark movement on an infrastructure package, after efforts to do so by the Trump administration lost steam.

In the long-term, parts of the bill are geared toward shifting how the U.S. pays for transportation infrastructure away from taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel, despite a nearer-term hike in those taxes.

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