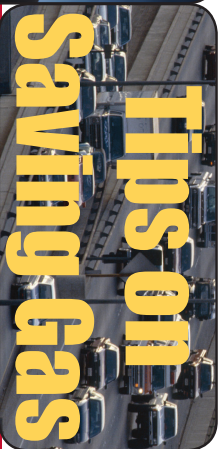


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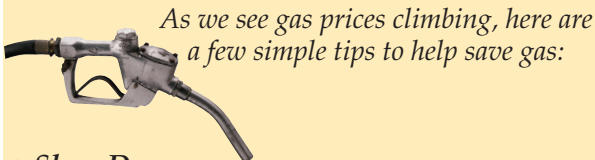
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# Senator Jose Peralta Offers Tips on Saving Gas

## Feeling the Crunch at the Pump



*As we see gas prices climbing, here are a few simple tips to help save gas:*

- ***Slow Down***

Every 5 miles per hour over 60 could cost you as much as 10 cents a gallon. Also, aggressive driving can potentially shrink highway mileage by one-third.

- ***Keep Your Car Tuned***

Poor or infrequent tune-ups could translate into 4 percent more fuel use.

- ***Pump Up Those Tires***

Under-inflated tires can lead to 3 percent more fuel use.

- ***Use the Correct Oil for Your Car***

Using the recommended grade of motor oil can improve your gas mileage one to two percent.

- ***Empty Your Trunk***

Every 100 pounds of weight in your trunk reduces fuel economy by one to two percent. Carrying around large items on the roof can lead to a 5 percent increase in fuel use.

- ***Maximize Your Fill Up***

Gasoline can become denser in the cooler part of the day, so you can get more for your money at that time. Check your owner's manual. Unless it says you must use a higher grade, buy regular.

- ***Use Your Cruise Control***

Cruise control improves fuel economy.

- ***Combine Your Traveling***

Several short trips from a cold start can use twice as much fuel as one trip covering the same distance with a warm engine.

- ***Pick the Right Car***

If you own more than one vehicle, drive the one that gets better gas mileage.