

Washington, DC- Congressman Steve King (R-IA) released the following statement today after voting for the Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2012:

"As the the founder of King Construction company in Iowa, I understand the important role that solid infrastructure plays in the stability of our state and nation," said King. "Today I voted to ensure that programs under the Highway Trust Fund would be funded through the end of June of this year, but this short term extension highlights the need for a long-term surface transportation bill. I have been concerned that in the past the gas and diesel tax dollars that are collected from drivers as a user fee and used to fund the Trust Fund have been diverted for other projects. We must be certain that these fees are used to repair, maintain, and build out our nation's roads and bridges. A long term extension will build up our economy, encourage job growth and keep Iowa strong."

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