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State help sought to reform U.S. transportation funding

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A national group pushing for reform of the nation's transportation funding system brought its case for change to Detroit on Monday, urging Michigan's business and government leaders to get behind the effort.

With a funding crisis at hand largely because of declining revenues from gas taxes, the Bipartisan Policy Center's National Transportation Policy Project hosted a forum at the Detroit Regional Chamber's office.

Former Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer is a cochairman of the NTPP, which is promoting its study, "Performance Driven: A New Vision for U.S. Transportation Policy."

The group is urging changes to how the nation raises and spends its transportation funds. Proposals include taxing people based on the number of miles they drive and expanding tolling to offset lost fuel-tax revenue, which has been declining dramatically because of the economy and more fuel-efficient vehicles.

For more on the study, go to www.bipartisanpolicy.org.

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