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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO HOLD
PUBLIC HEARING IN MILWAUKEE ON BUDGET ADJUSTMENT BILL**

The chair of the Senate Committee on Finance announced today the committee will hold a public hearing in Milwaukee on Wednesday, March 19, on the governor's budget adjustment bill as amended by the Assembly.

"The Senate committee wants to know from Wisconsin residents how the proposed legislation will affect them," Senator Mark Miller (D-Monona) said. "The Assembly Republicans abdicated their responsibility by not holding a hearing. We are going to do this the right way through the public hearing process."

Miller said the committee must review the legislation at a public hearing since the Assembly did not. Assembly Republicans also failed to allow the bill to be reviewed by any of Legislature's Finance Committees prior to its action last week. In contrast to the Assembly's hasty, late-night action on the \$425 million bill, the public hearing will be held in the light of day.

"We are doing the responsible thing. We will allow the public to comment on legislation that will have a significant impact on their day-to-day lives," Miller said. "We are committed to acting quickly and responsibly, and within the guidelines set forth for review by the finance committee.

Date: Wednesday, March 19, 2008

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Student Union Theater

University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee

2200 East Kenwood Blvd

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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