

Speaker Vos: Announces restructuring of Committee on ways and means

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Madison...Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) is announcing the restructuring of the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. The committee has been tasked with undertaking comprehensive tax reform. Under the leadership of Rep. John Macco (R-Ledgeview), the legislative committee will be the first ever in Wisconsin with subcommittees.

“Wisconsin taxpayers and businesses have suffered for far too long under an overly burdensome tax code that doesn’t work for families, retirees and job creators,” said Speaker Vos. “This restructured committee will tackle real reform in a transparent process that will give the public ample input in developing a new tax code that is fair and simple with lower rates.”

I have appointed three new Republican members to the committee: Reps. Rob Hutton, Bob Kulp and Shannon Zimmerman. Rep. Mark Spreitzer is joining the committee on the minority side. Rep. Macco will announce his subcommittees in a midday press conference at the state Capitol.

“Since 2011, Republicans have provided more than \$8 billion in tax relief in Wisconsin, and eliminated several taxes and entire tax brackets,” said Speaker Vos. “However, our work is far from over and I’m pleased that Rep. Macco and his committee can continue this important effort for Wisconsin taxpayers.”

Speaker Vos has asked the committee to take its time with the massive task and make recommendations before the end of next year in order to be considered in the next biennial budget.