

Rep. Hintz: Statement on changing scope of Foxconn project

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MADISON – Today, Assembly Democratic Leader Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement after [a report from Nikkei Asian Review](#) stated that Foxconn is considering producing small and medium-size displays rather than large panel LCD screens at their Wisconsin plant.

***“We were told Foxconn would create up to 22,000 indirect jobs. Today’s announcement puts this number in jeopardy as a glass substrate facility may no longer be located on or near the Foxconn campus. Long after legislation was passed and the Foxconn contract was signed, serious issues continue to come up. This is the result of a rushed process borne out of political expediency rather than sound economic development policy. The project as it stands today no longer resembles the legislation passed nine months ago. Throughout the entire process, the project was based on LCD screen development. With the future demand of this technology now in doubt, the long-term sustainability of this project is being called into question. With \$4.5 billion in public costs, Wisconsin taxpayers deserve details and certainty.*”**

***“The changing scope of this project is one more example of Foxconn calling the shots in Wisconsin. Since the deal was signed they have siphoned local transportation funding from communities across Wisconsin without legislative oversight, and have been exempted from air and water quality standards that could put our environment at risk.”*”**