

# Sen. Darling: Statement on Governor Walker's State of the State address

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Madison -On Wednesday, State Senator Alberta Darling (R-River Hills) issued the following statement regarding Governor Walker's State of the State Address:

"Wisconsin is on a roll, and we can't stop now. Our surplus is growing and our unemployment rate is dropping to a record low. That's why major employers like HARIBO and Foxconn are picking Wisconsin over other states. That doesn't happen without the leadership and vision of Governor Walker and Republicans.

As the Co-Chair of the budget-writing committee, I'm proud that we have worked together to deliver \$8 billion in tax cuts since 2011. Now that we have a growing surplus, it's time to explore ways to return it to you, the taxpayers, who provided it in the first place. It's not our money, it's yours.

I'm very interested in the Governor's plan to help Wisconsin's families with a refundable tax credit. It has the potential to make a real impact on working families in our state.

We've worked with Governor Walker to protect the health care of Wisconsin citizens. I'm glad to see the Governor continuing his mission to protect people from the uncertainty of their health care costs.

Wisconsin will always be a national leader in welfare reform. I'm excited Governor Walker is continuing that tradition by ensuring adults are well-supported to enter the workforce.

Just eight years ago, unemployment was more than 9%, companies were fleeing, and our finances were a mess. What a difference eight years under Republican leadership makes. And we're just getting started.

Our reforms have worked, and I'm excited to hear the Governor talk about what we can do next. He laid out an ambitious agenda that will continue to improve our state. I look forward to working with Governor Walker on the plans he outlined this afternoon."

Senator Darling represents portions of Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Washington and Waukesha Counties.