

# Sen. Erpenbach: Reaction to State of the State

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“Access to high-quality, affordable health care has always been a priority for Democrats in the Legislature. Wisconsin taxpayers have now lost over \$1 billion dollars to other states like Iowa, Illinois, Michigan and Minnesota because of Governor Walker’s decision to reject Federal funds designated for Wisconsin. If the Republican Legislature chooses to move ahead with Governor Walker’s re-election proposals, BadgerCare expansion should be a part of that discussion. Once the biggest cheerleader for its repeal, this year, Governor Walker suddenly supports the Affordable Care Act. I am hoping for the people of this state that the Governor’s turnabout is actually supported with policies that maintain the protections in the Affordable Care Act, not weakens them, and brings our much needed revenue back to Wisconsin.”