

Rep. Born: Reacts to Governor Evers' State of the State address

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Governor Evers delivers his first address to the Wisconsin State Legislature

Madison- Governor Evers delivered his first State of the State address to the Wisconsin State Legislature this evening. Representative Mark Born (R-Beaver Dam) released the following statement immediately after the address:

“The people of Wisconsin know that the state of our state is strong. While tonight’s speech focused on looking forward, it is important we recognize the work that was done to put us where we are today. Because of our strong, bold reforms over the past eight years, our unemployment rate has remained historically low, families are keeping more of their hard-earned money in their wallets, and we finished the year with yet another budget surplus that we recently proposed to give back to the taxpayers.

“It is clear that there are plenty of opportunities to work with Governor Evers this session. My colleagues and I have worked in a bipartisan fashion in the past, and we plan on doing so in the future. In the 2017-18 legislative session, nearly 91% of the bills passed the legislature with a bipartisan vote.

“Governor Evers laid out a number of proposals that carry a heavy price tag. Although I believe there are many areas that we can find common ground with the Governor, it is important we remember whose money we are spending here in Madison. As a member of the Joint Committee on Finance, I’ve had a firsthand look at how important it is to invest in our priorities and be good stewards of taxpayer dollars.

“As I’ve said numerous times- now is not the time to turn back the clock in Wisconsin. With that being said, I look forward to working with Governor Evers and my colleagues in the legislature to continue moving our state forward.”