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Sen. Fitzgerald: Evers' budget puts illegal immigrants ahead of veterans

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[Madison, WI] — A report recently released by the non-partisan Legislative Fiscal Bureau details how Governor Evers' budget puts illegal immigrants ahead of Wisconsin veterans. In the budget, illegal immigrants are required to maintain only three years of residency in Wisconsin in order to be eligible for in-state tuition. Some veterans in Wisconsin must demonstrate five years of residency in order to qualify for similar benefits. **Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald** released the following statement:

"As a former lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve, it's offensive that Governor Evers would give benefits to illegal immigrants that put them in front of the men and women who dedicated their lives to keeping Wisconsin safe. Yet again, Governor Evers' is leaving Wisconsinites behind in favor of extreme policies supported by the radical Left. The governor has decided that those who are violating federal law should get a better deal than Wisconsin's heroes.

"The governor's budget is a liberal wish list. Senate Republicans will respond by making sure our work during the budget process puts Wisconsin first."

Majority Leader Fitzgerald joined the U.S. Army Reserve in 1981 and was commissioned as a lieutenant in the Armor Branch in 1983. He served for 27 years, retiring in 2009 at the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald (R-Juneau) represents the 13th Senate District, which covers portions of Dodge, Jefferson, Waukesha, Washington, Dane,

and Columbia counties.