

Sen. Ringhand: Governor's budget puts people before politics

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Senator Janis Ringhand statement on Governor Evers proposed budget

"I would like to thank Governor Evers for putting forward a budget that puts people before politics. This budget continues the Governor's commitment to getting Wisconsin through this pandemic, getting back to work, kids back in school and opening up our economy.

I appreciate his focus on rural Wisconsin with new investments in roads, broadband and markets for Wisconsin farmers.

We need to adopt the Governor's comprehensive plan to reign in the cost of insulin and other prescription drugs. Major investments in childcare for kids and long-term care for the elderly are long overdue. We absolutely need to invest in the caregivers who take care of our kids and those in need of long-term care.

Investing \$200 million to help small businesses will help retain workers and hire back people who lost their jobs because of the pandemic. Additionally, creating a \$100 million venture capital fund will jumpstart tech innovation and startups and begin to build a path forward for companies to create good paying tech jobs right here in Wisconsin.

There is a lot to like in Governor Evers' budget and I hope that the Republicans in the legislature will work with Governor Evers so we can meet the critical needs facing Wisconsin as we recover from the pandemic."