

Rep. Considine: On the 2023 State of the State address

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Madison - Tonight, Governor Tony Evers delivered his 5th State of the State Address. Governor Evers reflected upon his first term and highlighted his priorities for the year. The focus for 2023 is to bolster our economy and workforce with continued investments in education, infrastructure, and the environment. Rep. Dave Considine (D-Baraboo) issued the following statement:

“Going into the 2023-24 Legislative Session, education continues to be a priority of Governor Evers. I am encouraged by his continued emphasis on investing in public education, and making the funding system sustainable. Funding in public education is essential for our future.

“Clean water is another issue highlighted tonight by Governor Evers. I support his efforts to move our state forward, ensuring every Wisconsinite has access to safe and clean water. We are concerned about the levels of PFAS in our water and must work urgently to slow the contamination. Under Governor Evers’ leadership, I am certain the state will make smart investments in clean water. I agree that we must protect this essential resource as well as we can.

“I applaud Governor Evers for emphasizing the importance of access to mental health care. Wisconsin is facing a mental health crisis among people of all ages. It is essential that we invest in mental health care now. There is not a simple quick solution to this problem, but with smart investments we can move our state in the right direction.

“Both Governor Evers and I know how vital small businesses and start-ups are to our communities and our economy. That is why Governor Evers has vowed to continue supporting homegrown talent. Under Governor Evers’ first term, 8,500

small businesses in Wisconsin were helped through the Main Street Bounceback grant program. Small businesses provide employment and build community. I am grateful for all small businesses do in the rural communities I represent and I am encouraged by Governor Evers' support.

"I thank Governor Evers for his leadership and look forward to working with him this session to implement our shared vision."