

Rep. Kurtz: Local government funding bill heads to Governor's desk

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MADISON –Rep. Tony Kurtz (R-Wonewoc) issued the following statement after the bipartisan votes in the Wisconsin State Assembly and State Senate to pass Assembly Bill 245, a generational investment in local government:

“One of the things I have heard about the most as I’ve done listening sessions in my district, and our travels for the budget hearings, is the need for additional funding for local government. Yesterday, months of negotiations and hard work came to fruition as the legislature passed the largest increase in aid to local governments in a generation, including historical reforms and directing new funding to law enforcement, fire and EMS services.

“Every community in the state is going to see a minimum increase of 20% in their aid, with many communities seeing even more significant increases. Shared revenue aids, both the existing shared revenue aid and the new funding will increase with the growth of the sales tax, which will allow our communities to grow and thrive as the state grows and thrives.

“I’m incredibly proud of all the work that has gone into getting this bill to Governor Evers’ desk. It’s a great day for every community in Wisconsin.”