

# Rep. Swearingen: Celebrates passage of a state budget made for Wisconsin

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**Madison, WI** – Today, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed the 2023-2025 Biennial Budget, which provides the largest tax relief in Wisconsin state history, makes significant investments in transportation infrastructure, and addresses ongoing PFAS concerns.

Representative Rob Swearingen (R-Rhineland) made the following statement:

***“I am very pleased that the Assembly passed another fiscally responsible budget that places an emphasis on returning tax dollars back to the hard-working people of Wisconsin. Over the past decade, Republicans in the legislature are responsible for a total of \$22 billion in tax cuts. This budget continues that trend”.***

**The budget includes a total of \$4.4 billion in tax relief. This includes reductions in property tax, income tax, and the elimination of the personal property tax for businesses. The income tax will be reduced by \$3.5 billion, resulting in an average cut of 15%. Over \$600 million will be allocated for lowering the property tax burden.**

***“We are investing \$1.5 billion to improve our transportation infrastructure. The transportation budget provides a \$285 million increase for local roads and a \$125 million increase for state highway rehabilitation. More importantly, this budget bonds \$88 million less than what Governor Evers proposed, ensuring that we meet the needs of our local communities, keep projects on track, and save future taxpayer***

**dollars.”**

The budget also allocates funding to create the Wisconsin PFAS Trust Fund.

***“I have witnessed firsthand the impact of PFAS contamination in the 34th Assembly District. This drove me to fight for vital funding for PFAS management in our state budget. I am thrilled to say that we have allocated \$125M to the PFAS Trust Fund. Through collaborative efforts with stakeholders and experts, we are determined to combat PFAS contamination and safeguard the health and prosperity of our state.”***

[Assembly Bill 312](#) has been introduced to determine how the fund will be administered.

***Representative Swearingen represents the 34th Assembly District, which includes the Northwoods counties of Oneida and Vilas.***