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Rep. Zamarripa Statement on August 2017 Special Session Assembly Bill 1 (Foxconn)

MADISON – State Representative JoCasta Zamarripa (D-Milwaukee) issued the following statement after her vote on August 2017 Special Session Assembly Bill 1 (Foxconn) on the floor of the Wisconsin State Assembly:

"This deal is rigged against the hardworking taxpayers of Wisconsin. Handing over \$3 billion to a foreign corporation with a checkered past is irresponsible. Foxconn promises to create jobs and spur economic growth, but failed to send one representative to the public hearing. With the passage of this bill, Assembly Republicans proved they were willing to gamble with the future of Wisconsin's families, children, and small businesses.

"I'm disappointed that the final passage of this bill did not include many core pieces that many Wisconsinites favor. There are no minimum wage requirements. Workers are not allowed to organize. Foxconn, unlike every other domestic business, can circumvent environmental permits and regulations. Unlike the Bucks arena deal, there are not any hiring preferences given to Wisconsin workers and contractors. The cost of this deal is just too high, and Wisconsinites are still sitting on the other side of the table waiting to hear what they get in return. I hope it's not empty promises scribbled on a napkin."

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