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Wisconsin Budget Passes Assembly

Budget makes key investments in schools, roads, and healthcare

Madison - Today, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed a two-year spending plan with key investments in the priorities of the state. Rep. Mark Born (R-Beaver Dam) released the following statement after a 60-39 vote:

"This is the Wisconsin Budget. The voices of Dodge and Washington counties have been heard, as this budget makes investments in the things my constituents value. The Wisconsin Budget makes the largest total investment in K-12 education in actual dollars, repairs our roads and bridges with large increases to our local governments, and funds healthcare workforce needs.

"Governor Evers' budget included many things that I could not support. The legislature has rejected his attempts to include liberal policy agendas, unsustainable levels of spending, expansion of welfare, and large tax increases for the people of Wisconsin. Instead, we have passed a conservative budget that keeps our spending within our means, cuts taxes, reduces bonding, and removes policy agendas that take us backwards.

"I am proud to vote for a budget that allocates \$150 million for caregiver wages, \$74 million for our nursing homes, over \$150 million in new funds for our local government transportation needs, and invests the largest amount in actual dollars to our K-12 education system. In addition, the two-year budget doubles the rainy day fund, putting aside money for our state's future.

"The Wisconsin Budget is a good budget for the State of Wisconsin. This budget improves upon Governor Evers' budget, invests in the things my constituents have asked for, and keeps spending at appropriate levels. I urge the governor to sign this bill, so we can together continue to make Wisconsin a great place to live, work, and raise a family."

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