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REP. HINTZ: STATEMENT ON LATEST REPUBLICAN POWER GRAB

MADISON – Today, Republicans introduced a resolution to amend Assembly rules which would alter the balance of power in Wisconsin state government. Included in the resolution is a provision to allow multiple attempts at veto overrides within a legislative session. While the resolution was presented publicly as an attempt to work with Representative Jimmy Anderson on ways to accommodate his disability, he was never consulted on any of the decisions made by Republican leadership. Instead of limiting the Assembly changes to those accommodations, Republicans chose to include a wish list of other items to increase one-party control over the legislative body. Assembly Democratic Leader Gordon Hintz (D-Oshkosh) released the following statement:

“Today, Republicans once again proved they are incapable of doing the right thing without including an irresponsible power grab. To be clear, most of these provisions have nothing to do with accommodations for a colleague’s reasonable request.

“Not to be outdone by their Republican colleagues in North Carolina, Representative Robin Vos clearly has a case of power envy. At this point, you have to ask yourself if there is any tactic Republicans in Wisconsin won’t try in order to help themselves politically. Changing the veto override process to their advantage is a big deal. It tips the scales of power in Wisconsin and is an insult to the people of our state who elected Tony Evers to be their governor.”

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