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## Rep. McGuire Introduces Buy American Legislation Package

MADISON – Today, Representative Tip McGuire introduced legislation to ensure that Wisconsin tax dollars go towards promoting American and Wisconsin job creation:

- LRB-3753, the **Buy American Act**, requires that the State of Wisconsin purchase goods that are – to the greatest extent possible – made in the United States.
- LRB-3779 amends Wisconsin’s state constitution, which currently requires that stationary purchases be awarded to the lowest bidder. This legislation requires that Wisconsin purchase from the lowest bidder operating in the state, unless no Wisconsin-based companies bid.

“I am excited to introduce the Buy American package of bills today,” said **Rep. Tip McGuire**, “We have an opportunity to use the purchases that the state of Wisconsin is already making to create quality, family-supporting jobs here in our state to grow the middle class.”

“This Buy American legislation is a commonsense bill that would prioritize made in the USA goods in our state and local communities’ procurement processes. This will encourage economic growth, boost American manufacturing, and support America’s workers and middle class,” said **Stephanie Bloomingdale, President of the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO**.

“Thank you to Representative Tip McGuire for introducing a “Buy American” bill that will help protect American manufacturing and the American middle class,” said **Hunter Scott, Vice President of IAMAW Local Lodge 66** who lives in Racine. “As a shop chair and a worker in a manufacturing environment, I know firsthand that we make great products in Wisconsin and in the USA that can go toe-to-toe with any foreign product. Our taxpayer dollars should go towards buying American-made goods and services whenever and wherever possible.”

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