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Rep. Emerson Statement on Republican Tax Proposal

Madison –Earlier today Republicans unveiled a proposal to spend a projected increase in state tax revenue on a nearly \$250 million personal income tax cut. The plan does not call for any additional spending on education that Governor Evers called for last week.

State Representative Jodi Emerson (D-Eau Claire) released the following statement in response

"Instead of making critical investments in education that would ensure students from urban, rural, and suburban areas have access to a high-quality public education, we see that once again the Republicans are putting politics above the children of Wisconsin.

"Gov. Evers' \$250-million plan not only recommits to two-thirds state funding for our schools, more than half of it goes toward property tax relief. The Eau Claire area school district alone stands to gain \$3.1 million in funding from Evers' proposal. We know how beneficial that money would be to our community schools.

"The truth of the matter is that Assembly Republicans were for two-thirds funding before they were against it. This is a political game they are playing. We have an urgent need in our state to expand mental health services for students who desperately need them as well as making sure that students with disabilities are receiving the services and support they need.

"We don't have to choose between cutting taxes and investing in our kids and schools—we can and should do both. I, along with my Democratic colleagues stand with Governor Evers and are committed to doing what's best for the people of Wisconsin"

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