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Representative Dallman Votes in Favor for Critical Investments

<u>Madison, WI</u> ---Today, Representative Dallman voted in favor for a package of legislation that uses one-time federal stimulus dollars to make critical investments in Wisconsin. Assembly Republicans brought before the floor eleven bills that help our local small businesses, our tourism industry, and our state economy, while giving aid to households, helping long-term care facilities and investing in broadband expansion. Representative Dallman made the following comments:

"This package of bills is exactly what we need for our state to be able to be proactive as we move forward. Investing in broadband is especially important within my district and I am making it my mission to focus highly on it. Another part of this package that I am incredibly passionate about is Assembly Bill 234, which I authored. My bill is a step in the right direction for our amusement, theme park, and overall tourism industry in Wisconsin."

This package of legislation uses the \$3.2 billion coming to Wisconsin from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and it includes the following:

- 1. Aid to Households: \$1 billion to give a 10% payment to all property taxpayers
- 2. Small Business Assistance: \$200 million for small business grants
- 3. Tourism Assistance: \$50 million for tourism grants & \$25 million for amusement parks
- **4. Rural Economic Development & Farmer Assistance:** \$50 million for rural economic developmental grants & \$50 million for farmer support funds
- 5. Long-term Care Assistance: \$150 million for grants for nursing homes, assisted living facilities and worker bonuses
- **6. Strengthen Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund:** Requires the use of recovery funds to keep unemployment taxes at a low
- **7. Local Road Funding:** \$308 million to give \$2 million per county & \$2,000 per road mile to cities, villages and towns for road improvements
- 8. **Broadband Expansion:** \$500 million for broadband expansion grants
- 9. EMS and Mental Health: \$68.2 million for EMS technology & a psychiatric hospital in Eau Claire
- **10. Debt Repayment:** \$250 million to pay down state debt & \$250 million to pay off transportation revenue boards
- 11. Clean Water Investments: \$61 million for water infrastructure project