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## Rep. Callahan Advocates for the Priorities of the Northwoods in State Budget

[Madison, WI] – Earlier this session, Rep. Calvin Callahan (R-Tomahawk) held several 2021-23 State Budget listening sessions throughout the 35<sup>th</sup> Assembly District and distributed a spring survey via mail and online to hear from constituents about their concerns and what they would like to see included in this budget. Over the past couple months, the Joint Committee on Finance has been deliberating the 2021-23 State Budget, and Rep. Callahan has been advocating what he has heard from his constituents. Throughout these deliberations, Rep. Callahan submitted three budget motions for consideration by the committee. These motions are as follows:

- **Reconstruction of State Highway 107** – requires the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to reconstruct State Highway 107 between the City of Merrill and the City of Tomahawk no later than August 1, 2022 and completing no later than January 1, 2024
- **Dementia Care Specialist Program** – directs the Wisconsin Department of Health Services to increase funding for the dementia care specialist program to expand the program to every Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) and federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in the state
- **Housing Rehabilitation Income Tax Reduction** – creates an income tax deduction applicable between December 31, 2020 and January 1, 2026 for amounts paid to rehabilitate a person’s residence if the residence was constructed before 1970

“I’ve had countless budget discussions over the last few months with my constituents, my staff, and my legislative colleagues,” Rep. Callahan stated. “I’m working to do everything I can to fund the priorities of the Northwoods and ensure that my constituents are heard this biennium. These budget motions are an important step in the right direction, and I’m proud to have started the dialogue on these issues. As we move forward in the budget process, I will continue advocating for the hardworking folks in the 35<sup>th</sup> District.”

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*The 35<sup>th</sup> Assembly District includes all of Lincoln County and portions of Langlade, Marathon, Oneida, and Shawano Counties.*