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## **Rep. McGuire Statement on JFC Action on Shoreline Erosion**

MADISON – Yesterday, Republicans on the Joint Finance Committee stripped the Great Lakes Erosion Control revolving loan fund proposed by Gov. Tony Evers from the budget. The program would give homeowners and municipalities access to upfront capital to invest in erosion control.

“I am deeply disappointed, at a time when our state has a \$4.4 billion surplus, that Republicans on the budget committee refused to support homeowners who are desperate for help to save their property,” said Rep. Tip McGuire.

Earlier this year, the City of Kenosha and the Village of Somers passed resolutions supporting the Great Lakes Erosion Control revolving loan fund, which was originally introduced last session by Rep. McGuire as 2019 Assembly Bill 974 / Senate Bill 884.

“I have had conversations with dozens of impacted local homeowners who have literally watched their property wash away. Shoreline erosion control is a priority for our community, but this is not simply a Kenosha County issue. Our state has over 1,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, and families from Superior to Door County to Pleasant Prairie are looking for assistance to protect the structural integrity of their homes.”

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