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## **Assembly passes bill funding Waukesha Water Supply Control**

The Assembly today [passed a bill](#) proposed by Reps. Scott Allen (R-Waukesha) and Adam Neylon (R-Pewaukee) directing \$530,000 in federal funds to Waukesha Water Supply Control. Waukesha had long sought a water diversion from Lake Michigan to supplement its supply and construction is progressing. However, an unexpected change in the plans for water and wastewater processing led to an increase in costs, and a budget deficit of around \$1.2 million. The Waukesha Water Utility sought a grant to defray those costs, which are usually passed on to utility ratepayers.

As infrastructure under the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the funds are an authorized use for projects utilizing safe drinking water revolving loans. ARPA, passed by Congress earlier this year, provides Wisconsin with approximately \$3 billion in overall stimulus and infrastructure funding. Under this bill, funding for the supply project utilizes those federal dollars via a grant awarded from the Department of Administration.

“Using federal funds available under ARPA is a common-sense way to reduce costs for clean water in Waukesha,” said Rep. Allen. “I hope Gov. Evers will support this important infrastructure project.”

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The 97<sup>th</sup> Assembly District includes portions of the City and Village of Waukesha and the Towns of Genesee, and Mukwonago.