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Finance Democrats Vote to Deny Tax Relief to Middle Class Families

Madison, WI – Senator Duey Stroebel (R – Cedarburg) issued the following statement in response to the Joint Finance Committee’s action on latest Republican efforts to deliver middle class tax cuts:

“As I have done throughout my legislative career, I was proud to once again be able to vote to return Wisconsin’s surplus to the taxpayers and provide middle class families with meaningful tax relief during today’s meeting of the Joint Finance Committee.

These common-sense bills provide an average state tax cut of \$454 for most filers, exempt \$150,000 of retirement income from state income taxes per married couple, and expand both the child and dependent care tax credit as well as the married couple tax credit to help support young families as they face rising costs of groceries and child care. Many of these proposals were items that Governor Evers himself has indicated that he supported in the past.

Unfortunately, every one of my Democrat colleagues on Joint Finance voted against each of the four bills that aimed to provide relief for Wisconsin’s middle class. According to [today’s Marquette Law Poll](#), 62% of Wisconsinites have a negative outlook on the current state of the national economy. Our hardworking middle-class families who are experiencing the effects of inflation on a daily basis deserve relief. This should not be a partisan issue—just three years ago, we were able to pass a historic middle class tax cut in bipartisan fashion.

Sadly, many of my Democrat colleagues would rather keep the people’s money in Madison rather than returning it to the rightful owners—Wisconsin taxpayers. While I am disappointed that every Finance Democrat voted to deny relief for middle class families, I hope that when these bills come to the floor that we are able to come together and do the right thing and return the surplus to the hardworking taxpayers of Wisconsin.”

Senator Stroebel represents the 20th Senate District which includes parts of Ozaukee, Washington, Fond du Lac, Calumet and Sheboygan Counties.

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