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Assembly Republicans Approve Monumental K-12 Education Budget

Madison- State Representative Joel Kitchens (R-Sturgeon Bay) released the following statement following the Joint Committee on Finance's action on the K-12 education budget:

"Yesterday the Joint Committee on Finance approved the K-12 education package for the 2017-19 biennial budget. This budget makes historic investments in our classrooms. I am proud to say that this budget gives our great educators and children an additional \$600 million. This money will go directly into the classroom and have an immediate impact on the lives of children and educators.

"In addition to an increase of \$200 per student in each of the next two years in all school districts, this budget puts money toward increasing the revenue limit in low-spending districts. This is an important step in assuring that all students in Wisconsin receive a great education.

"As Vice-Chair of the Assembly Committee on Education, Chair of the Assembly Committee on Children and Families, and former School Board President I know firsthand the challenges schools can face. Providing our children with a top-notch education should be priority number one and I am confident to say that this budget does just that.

"I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues to provide our children the education they deserve."

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