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## Outagamie County Reps. Respond to Sheriff/State Patrol Facility Decision

Madison- This week, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) announced their decision not to pursue the construction of a joint law enforcement facility housing the Outagamie County Sherriff's Department and the State Patrol's Northeast Region Post, citing the findings of a study that found the project would not be the best value for the taxpayers.

Rep. Steineke (R – Kaukauna), Rep. Murphy (R – Greenville), Rep. Rohrkaste (R – Neenah), and Rep. Tauchen (R-Bonduel) released the following statement:

"When we spoke with the DOT and Outagamie County, we saw many potential benefits to a collaboration, but we knew a comprehensive study was needed to make sure that this would be the best deal for taxpayers.

"We appreciate the DOT and the County Board for their due diligence in studying the possibility of a shared sheriff/state patrol facility.

"We are always looking for creative ways to save taxpayer money, but not all ideas pan out."

"At the end of the day, we are glad that community leaders agree with us that the Sheriff Department facility should be relocated outside of downtown Appleton."

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