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## Rep. Murphy Votes Against the Milwaukee Bucks Arena Deal

(Madison)...Representative Dave Murphy (R-Greenville) released the following statement after voting against the Milwaukee Bucks deal today:

"I am disappointed with the outcome of the vote today. I cannot in good conscience put taxpayers on the hook for an arena in Milwaukee that the state shouldn't be involved with in the first place.

"The state should not be in the business of giving taxpayer money to millionaire basketball players and billionaire team owners.

"I am disappointed that the City of Milwaukee has not shown leadership. Instead, they expected the state to lead in crafting a deal and for taxpayers from outside the city to contribute money. Why should citizens in the Fox Valley, who pay for their own projects, have to pitch in for Milwaukee's?

"I am concerned with the precedent that Wisconsin set today and that the state is agreeing to be involved in the arena business for years to come."

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