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REP. MURPHY: Budget and Program Reforms Critical to Solvency

(Madison, WI) – State Representative Dave Murphy (R-Greenville) issued the following statement on Governor Walker’s Budget Address Wednesday night:

“We begin our budget work this session with a \$419 million surplus. Governor Walker has built a framework putting us on target for more prosperity and independence for the people of Wisconsin,” Murphy said.

“Change usually involves some level of discomfort, and changing the way government does business is no exception. To keep our economy moving in a fiscally responsible way, we have to be willing to make tough decisions that make sense long term,” stated Murphy. “We are funding Medicaid into the future, not for only three years like the federal government proposed. We are committing funds to education at all levels. We make regulatory reform a priority so business can grow in Wisconsin.”

Walker’s budget proposal includes \$100 million in new state workforce development funds, \$6.4 billion in transportation infrastructure and \$475 million in new state money for K-12 and higher education.

“I’m ready to work with my colleagues, constituents and the governor to develop a budget that invests in Wisconsin’s infrastructure, protects our transportation fund, develops our workforce and ensures that people, not government, keep more of their hard-earned money,” concluded Murphy.

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