Rep. Rob Brooks Supports Elimination of State Treasurer’s Office

Repealing the office of state Treasurer is a win-win for taxpayers

Madison, WI—Representative Rob Brooks (R-Saukville) cosponsored AJR 5, a constitutional amendment eliminating the office of Wisconsin State Treasurer. Currently, the State Treasurer has just one responsibility: to serve as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Public Land.

Current State Treasurer, Matt Adamczyk, is an ardent supporter of eliminating the office and has taken the first steps towards eliminating most of the offices duties.

“I am a strong proponent of AJR 5, as the once-powerful office of Wisconsin State Treasurer has been relegated, for the most part, to a ceremonial position,” said Rep. Rob Brooks. “Most of the State Treasurer’s duties and responsibilities have been shifted to the Department of Administration in recent years. Thus, I no longer see a need for this office,” said Rep. Rob Brooks.

“I would strongly encourage my colleagues to support this legislation. It eliminates an unnecessary office and saves the taxpayers money over the long term, which is the State Treasurer’s total budget for fiscal year 2011-13,” said Representative Rob Brooks.

In order to amend the constitution, this legislation would need to be approved by two subsequent legislatures and by voters in a statewide referendum.

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