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Kurtz Supports Middle Class Tax Cut

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Madison – Rep. Tony Kurtz (R-Wonewoc) voted to cut taxes for middle class workers and families in the 50th Assembly District on Tuesday. The Assembly passed Assembly Bill 4 with a 61-33 vote; the Senate is expected to approve the measure later today, then it will be sent to the governor's desk.

The legislation provides \$340 million in tax relief that is targeted to individuals making less than \$100,000 and families earning \$150,000 or less. The nonpartisan Legislative Fiscal Bureau projects the median income family filing jointly would see a \$310 reduction in net taxes. Three-quarters of the tax cut benefit goes to filers making between \$30,000 and \$100,000.

"This middle class tax cut is going to directly impact a very large percentage of folks in my district," said Kurtz. "A lot of farmers in my district are working off the farm to help supplement their farm income, and this tax cut is a great way to show our area farmers and other middle class folks that we care."

Both Republicans and Democrats have proposed a middle class tax cut, but only Assembly Bill 4 delivers a fully funded tax cut without raising taxes. Governor Evers' proposal raises taxes by \$518 million on small businesses and manufacturers. Conversely, the Governor's plan doesn't add up. It falls short by roughly \$400 million over the next two years.

Kurtz added, "The Governor's proposal seems to be robbing Peter to pay Paul. Our tax cut provides tax relief for middle class families without hurting manufacturers. I'm proud to support this bill, and I hope the Governor will sign it into law.

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