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Statement from Rep. Brostoff on Governor Walker's Proposed Budget

MADISON – Representative Jonathan Brostoff (D-Milwaukee) released the following statement today reacting to Governor Walker's proposed budget for the 2015-2016 biennium.

“Despite the direct link between Wisconsin’s higher education system and our economic success Governor Walker has ignored the protests of our communities and proceeded with the \$300 million cut to the UW System,” said Brostoff, “A plan like this takes our state in the wrong direction and is part of an overall attack on public education. This is not a single occurrence.”

This recent cut comes after Gov. Walker and the Republicans in the Legislature cut funding to the UW by \$250 million in his 2011-2013 budget, in addition to cutting \$1.6 billion cut in K-12 funding, as well as \$70 million from the Wisconsin Technical College System.

“Thanks to the \$283 million hole Gov. Walker and the Republicans have created in the current budget, Wisconsin’s finances are the worst shape of any state in the nation. We don’t need more ‘Trickle down’ Republican policies which favor massive giveaways to the very wealthy at the expense of our middle class,” Brostoff said. “They have left Wisconsin families behind.”

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