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### **LFB: Governor Walker's Proposed Budget Keeps Wisconsin in the Black**

**MADISON** - The co-chairs of the state's budget-writing Joint Committee on Finance, State Senator Alberta Darling (R-River Hills) and State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette), issued the following statement regarding the [Legislative Fiscal Bureau memo](#) on the projected general fund balance in Governor Walker's proposed budget for the 2015-17 biennium:

"Governor Walker's proposed budget keeps our finances in the black, end of story. The non-partisan Legislative Fiscal Bureau confirms the gross general fund balance of the governor's 2015-17 budget bill would be \$123 million with a net balance of \$58 million. This is a far cry from the supposed \$2 billion deficit Wisconsin Democrats have repeated many times.

"Governor Walker's budget plan provides a solid fiscal starting point as we begin the budget process in the Legislature. The numbers don't lie. We are proud our reforms are working. Wisconsin is on the path to economic success and prosperity, and we're looking forward to using the governor's budget as a base to continue our common sense reforms."

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