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### **Arena Package Passes First Hurdle**

Senate Passes Bucks Arena Financial Package with Bipartisan Support.

**Madison** – By a vote of 21-10, the Wisconsin State Senate spoke with a bipartisan voice to approve the Milwaukee Sports and Entertainment Arena proposal, also known as Senate Bill 209. Six Senate Democrats voted with a majority of Senate Republicans to move the legislation to the State Assembly for final approval.

“The ball is in the Assembly’s court now. Today, the Senate once again led the way and stuck with the blueprint for success that has worked this entire session. If you count and have the votes...you take the vote,” stated Senate Assistant Majority Leader Paul Farrow (R-Pewaukee). “This vote is bittersweet for me. This is my last vote in the State Senate and I am humbled to have been a part of this body, but I am extremely proud that my final vote will impact the revival of Milwaukee and provide a great economic opportunity in Southeastern Wisconsin.”

Farrow, who will resign his senate seat on Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup> to concentrate on his new position as Waukesha County Executive, also voiced his appreciation that his final vote was cast in a bipartisan fashion.

“Since joining the senate I have prided myself on working with all of my colleagues, both Republican and Democrat. To have my final vote pass with bipartisan support is something I am very proud of,” said Farrow. “I sure hope that the Assembly can also pull together votes from both sides of the aisle to get this package passed and we can keep our Bucks in Milwaukee.”

No date has been announced for Assembly action on the arena plan.

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