

Wisconsin State Representative

PETER SCHMIDT

6th ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE | SPRING 2024



Serving as your state representative for the 6th Assembly District has been an incredible honor. Over the past year, I authored and co-authored legislation addressing various issues such as election integrity, free speech, and protecting life. We passed a historic state budget, which will address funding for critical public safety services, public works, and transportation with the largest increase in aid for local governments in a generation.

Election Integrity

Secure, honest, and fair elections are an absolute necessity for a healthy republic. We go to great lengths to secure our financial records, health records, and our homes. The same should be done for our elections. A proper chain of custody for all ballots must be followed. Ballots should not be sitting in drop boxes in our parks or riding around in someone's trunk. I co-authored and introduced legislation that would dissolve the Wisconsin Elections Commission. Additionally, I co-authored Zuckerbucks legislation prohibiting state and local governments from using privately sourced money or equipment in connection with the conduct of elections.

Protecting Our 2nd Amendment Rights

I co-authored legislation that prohibits firearms merchant category codes in payment card transactions and prohibits government lists of firearm owners.

Supporting Agriculture

I introduced legislation that prohibits plant-based milk alternatives from being labeled "milk". Additionally, I co-authored legislation that requires lab-grown meat products to be labeled as such when offered or sold. Co-authored and introduced legislation placing limitations on the ownership of agricultural or forestry land in this state by foreign persons.



Presenting Captain Steve Hurkman of the Seymour Fire Department with the First Responder of the Year award.



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A Budget Made for Wisconsin

We passed a bipartisan state budget, which the Governor signed in July. Our budget addressed many key areas, including transportation, agriculture, education, health care, mental health, workforce, and tourism. Every municipality will receive at least a 20% increase in shared revenue, and in many cases, the percentage is much higher. For example, the Town of Wescott in Shawano County will see an increase of 206.6%.

I co-authored legislation to create the Agriculture Road Improvement Program (AGRIP). It will provide a \$150 million investment in one-time money to equip local governments with resources to make significant infrastructure upgrades. Our budget contains funding for the parental school choice program, and we included requirements for voucher amounts to increase based on increases in public school funding. Choice and charter schools will receive nearly \$360M in new funding! This empowers parents to choose the school and type of education that is best for THEIR child.

Our budget funded new literacy initiatives to help students become proficient in reading. Roughly two-thirds of 8th-grade students in Wisconsin aren't proficient in reading. This isn't a partisan issue and proficiency in reading is a great equalizer that can change lives.

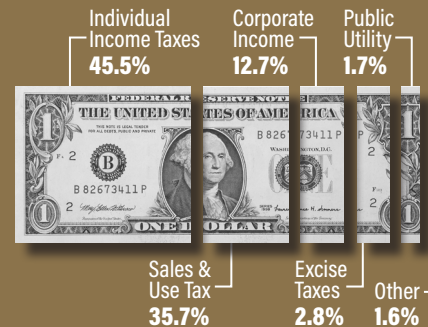
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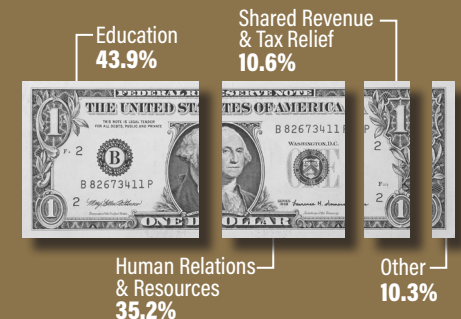
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2023-2025 Budget

A breakdown of **where** each tax dollar **comes from**



A breakdown of **how** each tax dollar **was spent**



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