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Rep. Tittl votes for smaller government

Madison: State Representative Paul Tittl (R-Manitowoc) has been a long-time advocate of smaller government. Thursday's vote to approve a joint resolution to eliminate the office of the State Treasurer was one more expression of that heartfelt belief.

"The treasurer's position has very few responsibilities and is no longer necessary," said Tittl. "This move would save taxpayer dollars and help reduce the size of government."

The former duties of the treasurer's office have been moved to the Department of Revenue and the Department of Administration. The treasurer now serves only on the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands. The Lieutenant Governor would be the replacement on that board.

"The current State Treasurer ran for office on the platform of eliminating the position. The people of Wisconsin showed their support for this change by electing him. The position no longer serves a real purpose for the state of Wisconsin," said Tittl. "We see way too much expansion in government, and I do a lot of work to prevent that from happening. It's not often that I get the chance to actively work to shrink government, and I'm glad I was able to vote to do just that today."

Since <u>Assembly Joint Resolution 2</u> would amend the State Constitution, it must be approved by two consecutive legislatures and receive voter approval. This is the second consideration of the legislation. The question will now go to the voters in a referendum on the April 2018 ballot.

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