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## Rep. Penterman Responds to the Governor's Budget Request

**Madison, WI** – State Representative William Penterman (R – Columbus) released the following statement following Governor Tony Evers' State Budget Address.

"I was hopeful that Governor Evers was going to take to work with the Wisconsin State Legislature to fund areas of common ground," said Representative Penterman. "Unfortunately the governor's budget proposal is a liberal wish list filled with policies that stand no chance of passing both legislative chambers.

"Instead of learning from the mistakes of the Biden Administration, whose reckless tax and spend policies have driven inflation to 40-year highs, Governor Evers is doubling down on the massive spending policies that have harmed individuals and businesses throughout the state. Governor Evers' budget includes billions of dollars in new, ongoing spending and grows the size of government to unsustainable levels. His budget is unworkable and impractical.

"I will work with my colleagues in the legislature on both sides of the aisle to fund important priorities, while protecting Wisconsin taxpayers from outlandish tax-and-spend policies.

"I look forward to hearing from the residents of the 37<sup>th</sup> Assembly district on how they think the Wisconsin state budget should look. I will be hosting several in-district listening sessions in the coming months."

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