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Joint Committee on Finance Invests in our Roads

Committee passes important funding for local road projects

Madison - Today, Republicans on the Joint Committee on Finance approved a comprehensive transportation budget that makes investments across our transportation system. Rep. Mark Born (Beaver Dam) released the following statement after the 11-5 vote:

"This budget makes critical investments in our local roads. With nearly \$400 million in new revenues, this is the most significant level of new revenue for our transportation system in a generation."

"Today's vote included funding levels that matched Governor Evers budget amount in the State Highway Rehab program. In addition, the Republican led plan included funding for more local road projects than Governor Evers' proposal.

"Our plan has the lowest level of transportation bonding in decades. It raises fees on hybridelectric vehicle registration, auto and light truck registration, and the vehicle title fee. We fund these initiatives without raising the gas tax.

"I am proud of the work my colleagues and I did to ensure all aspects of our transportation system are properly funded. From increases in funding for our rural communities, to additional investment in our state's interstate system, this budget is a long-term plan that fixes our state's roads."

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