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Rep. Born Releases Statement on Governor Evers' Budget Address

Madison – This evening, Governor Evers delivered his 2021-23 budget address to the Wisconsin State Legislature. Rep. Mark Born (R-Beaver Dam) released the following statement regarding the recommendations made by the governor:

"I am disappointed that Governor Evers' has ignored the calls of Republicans in the legislature and included divisive items in his budget proposal," said Rep. Born. "Welfare expansion and marijuana legalization are items we have already said we would not take up in the budget - but the Governor included them anyway. Now he is using these divisive items to try and fund massive amounts of spending and several new programs, when he can't even manage the programs he currently has before him.

"On a brighter note, it is good to see the Governor take a note out of Legislative Republican's playbook and fund some priorities that are important to the people of Wisconsin," said Rep. Born. "My Republican colleagues and I pushed for things like rural broadband funding and an increase in pay for those caring for our most vulnerable. It's good to see to the Governor fund a few of these common-sense priorities.

"Now that the Governor has introduced his budget, it is time for the Legislature to work on the two-year spending plan. As the Assembly Co-Chair of the budget-writing Joint Committee on Finance, I look forward to listening to residents from across Wisconsin to help craft a budget that truly funds the priorities of our state's citizens."

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