



WISCONSIN STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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## **Rep. Brienne Brown Applauds Gov. Evers' Budget Address**

MADISON, Wis. — February 18, Governor Evers delivered his biennial budget address, uplifting Wisconsinites' priorities for the upcoming 2025-2027 budget. In response, Representative Brown (D-43) issued the following statement:

"Governor Evers continues to put forth budgets that meet the needs of all Wisconsinites. He has given us a budget that responsibly addresses the needs of our children, families, public schools, small businesses, veterans, farmers, and local governments.

I took an oath to uphold our Constitution. The preamble to that document states that the job of government - we the people are to 'provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity.'

The Governor's 'Year of the Kid' budget shows these priorities. He has allocated over \$200 million to replace lead service lines across the state, and over \$145 million to address PFAs contamination. He's clawing back 16 years of defunding our education system. He is investing over \$3.1 billion in our K-12 public education, over \$850 million into our UW System, and over \$60 million into our technical colleges, so that every Wisconsinite has a shot at a great education and career. And he's investing over \$440 million to make Child Care Counts a permanent program, so we can keep quality child care centers open and affordable.

But it's not just about the kids; it's about their families and the communities where they live. Governor Evers is proving referendums are not inevitable for our local communities. He is proposing incentives to cities to hold the line on property taxes. He's allocating \$1.1 billion in aid to local governments and direct property tax credits to taxpayers, as well as more than \$237 million additional property tax relief for veterans, seniors, those with disabilities, and others struggling.

"These are all common-sense solutions to pressing issues to Wisconsinites all over. I look forward to fighting for measurable change that moves Wisconsin forward."

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