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Statement on Joint Finance Committee Beginning Voting on Biennial State Budget

Madison, WI – Today, the Legislature’s Joint Committee on Finance formally announced that they would be crafting its own version of the budget, effectively not utilizing a number of the proposals that Governor Evers proposed in his budget at this time. Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) released the following statement:

“This is an excellent decision by the Joint Finance Committee. Once again, the governor proposed a divisive political document full of policy proposals that should be vetted via the legislative process and include public input. Additionally, despite the COVID-19 pandemic and government-mandated shut downs, the state is in a [strong fiscal position](#), due in large part to responsible budgeting by Legislative Republicans.

“As recently [confirmed by the Legislative Fiscal Bureau](#), the governor’s budget, as proposed, would increase fees by over \$17 million and raise taxes by more than \$1 billion. That’s simply unacceptable. I’m confident that the Legislature will again put together a responsible budget that invests in resident’s priorities while not raising taxes on workers, agricultural producers, job creators, and Wisconsin families.”

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The 70th Assembly District includes portions of Monroe, Jackson, Portage and Wood counties