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### **Rep. Considine on Governor Evers' Action on 2019-21 State Budget**

**Madison** – This morning, Governor Tony Evers signed the 2019-2021 State Budget into law as 2019 Act 9. In February, the Governor proposed The People's Budget which would have fully funded our schools, made historic investments in our kids, and fixed our roads in a sustainable way. Over the past few months Assembly and Senate leadership stripped this proposal and last week they sent an insufficient proposal to the Governor's desk. Today Governor Evers used his powerful veto pen, as his predecessors have done before him, and he reshaped the budget to be one that better reflects the values of people across Wisconsin. Representative Dave Considine (D-Baraboo) issued this statement after the bill signing:

"Today the Governor was able to make great changes to the budget that the Senate sent him, including investing nearly \$100 million more in our local classrooms. As a former educator I understand firsthand how crucial this investment is to our students.

"I believe that the Governor's original budget provided the best solution to our transportation, education, and healthcare funding crises. However I also believe that the Governor did the right thing by signing 2019 Act 9 into law. The constituents of the 81<sup>st</sup> and the entire state of Wisconsin deserve a government that works together.

"The Governor showed today that there is a way to work together. I have always believed that regardless of party we can collaborate and produce good work. I am proud that Governor Evers sees that we were not elected to fight or play politics, but to serve the people that elected us. I will continue to work with my colleagues in both houses and both parties to make Wisconsin a better place for all of us.

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