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Legislative Republicans Gut Governor's Budget and Turn Their Backs on Wisconsin Families

MADISON - The Joint Committee on Finance (JFC) met today to discuss Legislative Republican's motion to remove more than 600 items from the 2025-27 State Budget. Representative Alex Joers (D-Waunakee) released the following statement:

"Today's action ended, slashed, and gutted many programs and services which are essential to Wisconsinites and their families. Unfortunately, today was just the most recent incident in a long line of fiscally and morally irresponsible decisions made by my majority party colleagues.

"The Joint Finance Republicans' motion removed many programs and services from the State Budget, including supplements to the Crime Victim Services grant program, child care water safety grants, requirements to report lost or stolen firearms, lead service line replacement funding, tax exemptions for gun safety equipment, and essential funding to our child care centers.

"Wisconsinites and their families deserve so much more than Legislative Republicans are willing to recognize. This is another sad day in Wisconsin, orchestrated by the whining Republican legislative majority."

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