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## **Rep Allen Releases Bills Addressing Transparency & Fairness in Referendums**

State Representative Scott Allen (R-Waukesha) released two bills today that would address transparency and fairness in referendums.

“Referendums are opportunities for voters to make important decisions about how their tax dollars should be spent,” said Rep. Allen. “Good decision making requires transparency in the information provided to voters.”

With Senator Rachael Cabral-Guevara (R-Appleton), Rep Allen released LRB-0441, a proposed bill that would require that local governments and school boards provide information on the ballot that would indicate the difference in taxes for a median-valued home in the community resulting from the referendum.

A separate bill LRB-0299, cosponsored with Senator Julian Bradley (R-New Berlin), would protect school districts from losing state funding when other districts go to referendum.

“It was a shock to many to learn that the massive school referendum passed in Milwaukee would take away vital state funding from over 300 other school districts,” said Rep Allen. “It’s only fair that large referendums in one district should not negatively affect other school districts.”

The bill clarifies that any school referendum of over \$50 million dollars should be paid for by the district that votes for the referendum instead of taking away money from shared school funding.

“These bills are about transparency and fairness,” said Rep Allen. “Those are values that all Wisconsinites share.”

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Rep. Scott Allen represents most of the City of Waukesha and parts of the Village of Waukesha.