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Assembly advances the People's priorities

The Assembly today passed legislation requiring [Holocaust and genocide education](#) in social studies curriculum. The Holocaust Education Act guarantees that Wisconsin students learn about the Holocaust at least once during both middle school and high school.

A [recent nationwide survey](#) showed more than 21% of Wisconsin Millennials and Gen Z adults did not know what Auschwitz was, while 47% did not know that 6 million Jews were murdered in the Holocaust.

“Clearly we can do better to educate and inform students about the abject depravity and evil of the Holocaust, and the scary prospect that it could happen again,” said Rep. Allen. “The recent genocide of Christians and Yazidis at the hands of ISIS, and ongoing genocides occurring against the Rohingya in Myanmar, Uighurs in China demonstrate the need to remain vigilant.”

Legislation also advanced to direct \$2.2 billion in one-time federal COVID relief, prioritizing the hardest-hit sectors of the economy.

Within the package of bills advanced by the Assembly, Rep. Allen co-authored a measure to provide over [\\$1 billion in assistance to households](#), equivalent to a 10% refund for all property taxpayers in Wisconsin. He also co-authored legislation allocating [\\$500 million in broadband expansion grants](#). “The governor continues to hand-pick relief beneficiaries, yet we’ve all been injured by the Evers COVID shutdown,” said Rep. Allen. “It is time to share widespread assistance.”

The Assembly also passed a [resolution](#) calling on Attorney General Josh Kaul to join a bipartisan lawsuit against the U.S. Department of the Treasury. The latest stimulus bill, “American Rescue Plan of 2021,” interferes with core functions and inherent powers of state government by possibly prohibiting certain direct or indirect tax cuts within states that take the federal aid, instituting clawback provisions. *State of West Virginia v. US Dept. of the Treasury* would essentially prohibit the federal government from enforcing those clawbacks.

“Our founders never envisioned an all-powerful federal government,” said Rep. Allen. “The taxing and spending decisions of the states should be left to the states. States should not be bribed to cede their power because the federal government has no limits on its ability to print money.”

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The 97th Assembly District includes portions of the City and Village of Waukesha and the Towns of Genesee, and Mukwonago.