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Rep. Dittrich Responds to Evers' Budget Address

Madison – Representative Barbara Dittrich (R – *Oconomowoc*) released the following statement on Governor Evers' Biennial Budget Address:

“They say that insanity is doing the same thing over and over expecting a different result each time. Unfortunately, that’s what we heard once again in the Governor’s budget address. It was a liberal wish list filled with spending that would increase Wisconsin’s taxpayers’ burden at the same time he decries the President’s tariffs.

“He promises a multi-billion-dollar tax cut at the same time he increases spending on government bureaucracy and entitlements. Last budget session, he promised a middle-class income tax cut yet vetoed all three attempts the Legislature made to return the four-billion-dollar surplus, ease taxes on retirees, and help parents paying for child care. Why should we trust him now?

“While I appreciate the governor naming this ‘the Year of the Kid,’ I find this somewhat disingenuous given the fact that he played games with the last biennial budget, depriving Act 20 of the proper funding. The MPS schools have been the greatest complaint I have heard when I am face-to-face with my constituents – They are tired of seeing more of their tax dollars go to a failing system where students can neither read nor do math at grade level.

“I also agree with the governor that Wisconsin’s prisons need help. However, I certainly don’t believe the answer is letting violent criminals prematurely circumvent their sentence. I hope that we will be able to work across the aisle to solve this dire situation.

“As I do every biennium, I will be sending out surveys to constituents and holding listening sessions for those who live in my district to get a sense of where they really want their hard-earned tax-dollars to be used. I look forward to those interactions with the people I serve and shaping a budget that is fiscally responsible and continues to move Wisconsin forward.”

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