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## Republicans on Joint Finance Strip Hundreds of Proposals from Governor Evers' Budget

MADISON, WI – Earlier today, Republicans on the Joint Finance Committee filed a motion to eliminate hundreds of funding proposals vital to Wisconsinites' well-being and future security from the <u>Governor's 2025-27 Executive Budget</u>–including funding aimed at lowering costs and improving lives for Wisconsin families. Examples of programs removed include: state funding needed to keep the state's child care industry intact, funding for PFAS remediation and lead removal in drinking water, and investments in public education.

See the entire list of programs slashed by JFC Republicans here.

Senator Habush Sinykin released the following statement:

"Governor Evers put together a thoughtful, strategic budget aimed at lowering costs and strengthening our communities with long-awaited investments in our public schools, drinking water quality, and child care network—investments that are critically needed to keep and attract young families and a vital workforce to Wisconsin. The Governor's budget priorities aligned with the priorities voiced by the hundreds of community members who testified before the Joint Finance Committee (JFC) in West Allis in April and those who attended the series of budget listening sessions I hosted across the 8th Senate District.

"Right now, Wisconsin communities and families are expecting support from their state government during these worrisome and tumultuous times. While families are struggling with rising costs and uncertainty over our nation's economic outlook, it is more important than ever that Republicans on the Joint Finance Committee address the financial challenges facing Wisconsin families through strategic investments in child care, public education, health care, and targeted tax relief.

"I am committed to advocating for and passing a budget within an appropriate timeline that will lower costs for Wisconsin families and strengthen our communities. I look forward to the legislative negotiations and floor sessions to come that will bring us closer to a stronger, more resilient Wisconsin."