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Wimberger, Franklin Introduce Budget Motion to Continue Port of Green Bay Redevelopment

MADISON – Senator Eric Wimberger (R-Oconto) and Representative Ben Franklin (R-De Pere) released the following joint statement to announce the introduction of a budget motion to fund continued redevelopment at the Port of Green Bay:

"Last night's County Board decision to move Northeast Wisconsin forward in commercial port development is the first step in a transformational project.

With this important step underway, we are now confidently presenting a request for appropriation in this biennial budget so Brown County can complete this once-in-a-generation expansion, making the Port fully operational.

Redeveloping and expanding the Port of Green Bay will bolster Northeast Wisconsin's critical connection to the global supply chain, and give an economic boost to the entire State of Wisconsin."

The Port of Green Bay plays a pivotal role in moving more than 2 million tons of cargo every year for distribution throughout Wisconsin and the entire Midwest.

To assist with an increase in economic activity, the Port is looking to modernize and expand its footprint on Green Bay. This development will include extensive shoreline improvements to facilitate ship traffic to the site, and provide for easier and more efficient shipping traffic.

Several key improvements to the port include:

- Construction of a new dock wall.
- Dredging part of the Fox River to allow ships to access the new site.
- Construction of a stormwater detention basin.
- Installation of mooring features.

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