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## Rep. Mark Spreitzer Votes Against Taxpayer Funds For Republican Conspiracy Theories

MADISON - Today, State Representative Mark Spreitzer, who serves as the ranking Democratic member of the Assembly Committee on Campaigns and Elections and the Assembly Democratic Caucus Chair, released the following statement regarding his vote against a Republican motion to fund attorneys and private investigators using taxpayer money:

"There are few things worse than the unhinged theories that Republican Legislators have supported about the 2020 election. Speaker Vos and Wisconsin Republicans have managed to outdo themselves by giving credence to those falsehoods with taxpayer money - even after these lies led to an insurrection at the US Capitol as right-wing extremists attempted to overthrow the government of the United States.

"Dragging our state down this road is unbefitting of the Office of Speaker of the Wisconsin State Assembly. Our state's constitution begins by declaring that our governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. Today, Robin Vos is placing himself and his party explicitly and directly against the will of Wisconsin voters. Vos is continuing the national Republican trend of rejecting facts in favor of falsehoods and embracing conspiracy theories by giving financial and rhetorical support to those who do not believe our elections were safe, secure, and transparent.

"This is not an investigation, but a cynical attempt to appease Republicans' political base while eroding trust in our democracy. Sowing doubt and spreading conspiracy theories is what led directly to the January 6th insurrection and continues to be a grave threat to our democracy.

"Nothing good will come of this waste of taxpayer dollars. My vote is a resounding No."

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