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**EMBARGOED UNTIL BUDGET PASSAGE**

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## **STATEMENT ON STATE BUDGET VOTE**

I'm proud to support this budget, and anyone taking an honest look at the budget can see why it got bipartisan support. The Legislature's budget uses our surplus to provide \$1,200 in tax relief to the average family, and makes smart, responsible investments in K12 education, transportation, and mental and general health care.

The budget Governor Evers proposed in February was unrealistic and irresponsible, and people said so at the time. He proposed raising taxes well over \$1 billion, The Legislature cut taxes by \$3.4 billion. His budget contained almost 2,000 pages of extreme and divisive policies that need debate, the legislature's budget contains virtually no policy. The Legislature secures Wisconsin's economic future with the largest ending balance in 25 years and a record \$2 billion in the Rainy Day Fund. The Governor's budget would have returned "tax & spend" to Wisconsin's budget philosophy. The Legislature's investments in this budget will pay dividends for years to come, while living within our means.

It's really night and day.

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