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Evers Unveils Budget Proposal at 2025 Address

Madison – Tuesday night, Governor Tony Evers gave his 2025 Budget address, and reaffirmed his commitment to helping families, homeowners, and schools in what he has dubbed "The Year of the Kid" in Wisconsin.

In a year that has gotten off to a tumultuous start at the federal level of government, Evers laid down concrete plans to address school funding challenges, medical price hikes, and rising costs for working families. The Governor's proposed budget includes \$2 billion in total tax relief across the state, with \$150 million coming from his Property Tax and Rent Rebate proposal that would apply to roughly 165,000 owners and renters throughout Wisconsin. On top of this, Governor Evers announced that his proposal would incentivize local governments to freeze their local property taxes. Under the proposal, local governments would receive a direct payment from the state if they commit to a local property tax freeze.

As we speak, school districts here in Kenosha and Racine, along with others around Wisconsin, are facing funding shortfalls. To combat this, they are asking folks to raise their own taxes. We need to find another way, which is why Governor Evers announced a \$3.15 billion investment of spendable money for local school districts, lowering their need for property tax revenue.

In one budget, Evers is helping our schools and kids thrive while reducing the burden on homeowners and property taxpayers. In the political climate we find ourselves in, it is imperative that our state puts forth a common-sense, practical budget that helps our kids and families thrive, and that is exactly what we got from Governor Evers tonight.

The Year of the Kid is just getting underway, and I am excited to work with the Governor and my fellow legislators to get this budget passed and move Wisconsin forward for all.

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