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Vukmir: Medicaid expansion's false promises proven

MADISON, Wis. — State Sen. Leah Vukmir, R–Brookfield, issued the following statement Friday after seeing recent news reports from states that accepted Medicaid expansion dollars and are now facing major problems with their budgets:

“Recent reports from states across the U.S. are confirming our prior expectations, proving what we’ve known all along: Increased expansion is not financially feasible. State budgets across the nation are being overrun with unforeseen costs as a consequence of accepting Medicaid expansion funds.

“Gov. Walker and legislative Republicans were acutely aware that false promises from the Feds would leave Wisconsin scrambling to fund the expansion of this program. I commend the governor for not exposing Wisconsin to this deceptive bargain and protecting taxpayers from a fiscal mess.

“Contrary to what my Democrat colleagues assert, nothing is actually free. In Wisconsin we are dedicated to covering those in need while maintaining fiscal responsibility.”

[Wall Street Journal: Obama's Medicaid Budget Trap](#)

[National Review: Which State Will Be the First to Abandon the Obamacare Medicaid Expansion?](#)

Vukmir represents Waukesha and Milwaukee counties in the state Senate.

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