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## Senator Craig Releases ‘State Budget Protection Act’ *Constitutional amendment would right-size governor’s veto pen*

**Madison, WI** — Yesterday, State Senator David Craig (R-Town of Vernon) and Representative Mike Kuglitsch (R-New Berlin) released the “State Budget Protection Act” which would clarify the State’s Constitution to prohibit the governor of Wisconsin from using a partial veto to increase expenditures in an enrolled appropriations bill. Senator Craig released the following statement:

***“During this budget process, Governor Evers aggressively modified the legislature’s budget with his partial veto to increase state spending by over \$84 million without approval from the legislature – the branch of government closest to taxpayers. We need to prevent this from ever happening again.***

***“The legislature’s role in the budget process has been continually eroded by the executive branch, and it is beyond time we right-size the governor’s veto pen to protect taxpayers and restore the legislature’s constitutional authority. This amendment will ensure that the will of taxpayers, through their elected representatives, will have final say in limiting the overall spending in the state budget.”***

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[Senator Craig](#) represents the 28<sup>th</sup> Senate District which includes parts of Waukesha, Milwaukee, Racine, and Walworth counties.