

41<sup>ST</sup> ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

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## Three of Rep. Ballweg's Bills Advance

**Madison...**Representative Joan Ballweg (R-Markesan) is proud to author three bills that passed the State Senate on October 8, 2019.

The first of those bills extends Tax Incremental Districts (TIDs) for the Village of Lake Delton. TIDs provide funding for eligible developments including upgrading road networks, extending electric and gas utilities and more. Expanding two of the Village of Lake Delton's current TIDs ensures that the area continues to be a tourist destination and economic engine for the state of Wisconsin. The bill will now go in front of the Assembly for a vote on Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

"Thank you to Tom Diehl and Terry Slack for their help on this bill," said Ballweg. "Lake Delton has historically been successful at fostering an outstanding tourism environment and this additional investment will help them continue down that path."

Another bill passed will prohibit manufacturers from surcharging vehicles sold. Manufacturer assessment of a surcharge ends up costing the dealer and consumer more money. Currently, when a car owner brings in their car for warranty work, the dealer preforms the work on behalf of the manufacturer. This bill levels the playing field and gives auto dealers the ability to negotiate reasonable compensation for warranty work without fear of retaliation. This bill is waiting to get a public hearing in the Assembly Committee on Consumer Protection.

The final bill passed relates to due dates for property taxes. Under current law, a five day grace period is allowed for payment of property taxes. This bill clarifies the differing opinions treasurers have received on what to do when the end of the grace period lands on a weekend and clearly defines the five days as business days. This bill is now on its way to the Governor's desk.

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