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Assembly to Hold Session Tuesday on Coronavirus Response Bill

Madison, WI... Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester) and Majority Leader Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) released the following statement concerning Tuesday's extraordinary session of the Wisconsin State Assembly.

“The Assembly will meet in an extraordinary session on Tuesday to vote on a coronavirus response bill. Assembly leaders have worked with the minority party and the governor’s office on legislation that will give the Evers administration the needed flexibility to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. The bill will allow our state to capture millions in federal dollars on top of the \$2 billion in coronavirus funding from the federal CARES Act. The legislation also eliminates the one-week waiting period for unemployment benefits. We applaud the bipartisan work that went into the creation of this important bill.

“Representatives have been given a choice to attend either in person or virtually. Members who are attending in person, as is customary for legislative sessions, are being asked to follow a set of guidelines to maintain proper social distancing. We appreciate the tireless efforts of the Assembly Chief Clerk’s Office, Sergeant’s Office and the Legislative Technology Services Bureau for coordinating the historic session that will enable us to accomplish the legislative work in the safest way we can.

“While tomorrow’s extraordinary session will certainly be a first, we anticipate a day of bipartisan action to help hard-working Wisconsin families and businesses.”

The Assembly is set to convene at 1:00 p.m. for the extraordinary session, which will be broadcast through Wisconsin Eye.

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