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Rep. Cabral-Guevara Votes for Election Integrity Bill

Madison, WI – Today, Rep. Rachael Cabral-Guevara (R-Fox Crossing) voted for legislation which prevents private corporations and other entities from sending funds to individual municipalities for election administration. After the vote, Rep. Cabral-Guevara released the following statement:

"This bill is one of the most straightforward, sensible pieces of legislation we have voted on so far," said Rep. Cabral-Guevara. "Corporations and other big-money groups will be prohibited from cherry-picking municipalities to send millions of dollars to. Under this bill, organizations must go to the Wisconsin Elections Commission, who will then distribute the funds across the state on a per-capita basis."

As the 2020 election came to a close, hundreds of millions of dollars were donated to the Center for Tech and Civic Life from Mark Zuckerberg of Facebook. This group then gave grants to largely liberal-leaning municipalities for election administration purposes. In one instance, a Wisconsin mayor allowed members of the group, who weren't even city employees, access to ballots and other administrative functions which should have been handled by the municipal clerk.

"Wisconsin's elections have always been and always should be run by our dedicated non-partisan clerks and any funds coming from outside sources should be distributed to municipalities fairly," said Rep. Cabral-Guevara. "No matter what side of the aisle you land on, the idea that outside funding should be felt evenly across the state is a no-brainier."

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The 55th Assembly District covers parts of Winnebago and Outagamie Counties, including the towns of Clayton, Greenville, Neenah, and Grand Chute, the village of Fox Crossing, and the cities of Neenah and Appleton.