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## Rep. Tittl Votes for 2021-2023 State Budget

**Madison...**State Representative Paul Tittl (R-Manitowoc) is pleased with his vote to provide a tax cut for Wisconsin families, while also giving unprecedented investments to K-12 schools and increased funding for Mental Health. On Tuesday, Rep. Tittl joined his colleagues in supporting the 2021-2023 state budget in the Wisconsin State Assembly.

"This budget sets the right priorities for the state," said Rep. Tittl. "This spending plan incorporates responsible budgeting while taking into account the exponentially high federal dollars coming into our state."

The budget incorporated a total tax cut of over \$3.4 billion. The typical Wisconsin family will save \$1,200 in income and property tax relief. \$200 million is being invested in eliminating the personal property tax – helping businesses around the state.

"When we invest in Mental Health, we help all Wisconsinites," said Rep. Tittl. Rep. Tittl noted many positive investments for mental health, helping people from all walks of life. Rep Tittl noted a few areas of funding, including:

- \$12 million more for mental health categorical aids (doubling the program)
- \$7 million for mental health collaboration grants, a **54% increase!**
- Increase Medicaid reimbursement rate for opioid treatment: \$2.6 million
- Provide \$375,000 annually for mental health crisis intervention training for law & correction officers.
- Increase funding by \$500,000 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the biennium for the Child Psychiatry Consultation Program
- \$300,000 for one-time funding for the development of a substance use disorder treatment platform
- \$100,000 to promote suicide awareness for Veterans & provide \$100,000 to fund it.

The finalized budget invests money in broadband, sends revenue dollars back to the hard-working taxpayers, makes historic investments in K-12 schooling, prioritizes fixing our roads, and focuses on improving healthcare initiatives."

"Wisconsinites deserve to keep more of their money; I'm glad this budget achieves what constituents want," said Rep. Tittl. "Every taxpayer should be pleased with this budget, for our kids, for our businesses, for our most vulnerable. I urge Governor Evers to sign this expeditiously."

The budget bill passed 64-34. It passed 23-9 in the Senate. The budget bill is heading to the governor's desk. This is the most support a budget bill has seen in both houses in a generation!