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Republicans Passed Half Measure, Missed Opportunity Budget says Green Bay's Representative Staush Gruszynski.

MADISON - The Republican-controlled Wisconsin Assembly passed its version of the state budget late Tuesday. The vote was 60-39, with all 36 Democrats voting no.

According to the Fox6now [report](#), the GOP majority "approved some last-minute changes to the budget that will slightly reduce a property tax increase, allow electric-car manufacturer Tesla to open dealerships in the state and require the full Legislature to approve any new per-mile driven fee". However, they missed the opportunity to recover our federal tax dollars to expand affordable healthcare, to invest in transportation infrastructure, and to restore needed state funding for our public schools and the UW-System.



"I am sincerely disappointed that the Republican majority in the Assembly voted against the bold, aggressive budget that the people of Wisconsin asked for, and that Governor Evers introduced. Great causes demand action. As Wisconsin sits at the crossroads of split government, we can either rise to the causes of our constituents, and all Wisconsinites, or we can continue down the path of half measures that fail to fully address the issues of our day," State Representative Staush Gruszynski (D-Green Bay) said in a statement last night.

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“Unfortunately, the Republicans chose the latter, and in so doing, they missed the opportunity to recover our federal tax dollars to expand quality, affordable healthcare, they missed the opportunity to invest in our transportation infrastructure with sustainable funding for the future, and they missed the opportunity to restore needed state funding for our public schools and the UW-System,” he continued.

“Despite the setbacks today, I will join Governor Evers and my Democratic colleagues in fighting to make our common sense, forward-looking proposals a reality,” Gruszynski concluded.