

Democratic Radio "Republican Budget is Rigged Against Wisconsin Families"

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MADISON – Today, Rep. Steve Doyle (D-Onalaska) offered the Democratic Weekly Radio Address on the Republican budget that passed the Assembly:

"It's frustrating that after so many delays, we ended up with a budget that gives away hard-earned taxpayer dollars to a select few while raising taxes on hardworking families. This isn't fair and it doesn't make economic sense," Rep. Doyle said. "If the Republicans would just sit down and work with the Democrats, we could do great things for Wisconsin."

The audio file of this week's address can be found [here](#) , and the video can be found [here](#) .

A written transcript of the address is below: "Hi, I'm Representative Steve Doyle with this week's Democratic Radio Address.

"On Wednesday, the Majority Party in the Assembly passed a budget that was nearly three months late. This new budget doesn't fill the funding hole created in our public schools over the past six years. It doesn't contain a long-term funding solution to fix our crumbling roads. It doesn't help Wisconsinites access affordable, quality health care and it doesn't help students who are burdened by their college debt. And instead of strengthening our economy, this budget will actually slow down wage growth for Wisconsin workers.

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"Democrats worked hard to make this budget better. We really wanted a bipartisan budget that works for everyone. We offered amendments to lower taxes for middle class working families. We wanted to invest in infrastructure, like our roads, bridges and broadband. We advocated for our public schools that educate 86 percent of our children. We promoted BadgerCare and wanted to make health care affordable and accessible for all. We supported plans to do more for our communities by protecting clean drinking water and investing in the tools to keep our communities healthy and safe for our families and our children.

"If the Republicans would just sit down and work with the Democrats, we could do great things for Wisconsin. They chose not to and that is really unfortunate. We missed the opportunity to do something really meaningful for our state and that is truly unfortunate.

"I'm Representative Steve Doyle."