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MADISON - Today, the State Building Commission took up Governor Tony Evers' 2019-2021 Capital Budget, which makes historic investments in state and University of Wisconsin System infrastructure after eight years of neglect. Republicans on the Commission voted against Gov. Evers' Capital Budget projects, departing from the Commission's decades-old institutional tradition of recommending respective governors' project requests to the Legislative Joint Finance Committee. Republican Commission members' move comes only a day after the same Republicans voted unanimously with Democrats to recommend the governor's project requests for adoption.



Gov. Evers released the statement below following today's Building Commission meeting:

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“Disappointed is an understatement. Republicans on the Commission voted to support this Capital Budget a day ago—they were for it before they were against it. This was about playing politics, plain and simple, not doing what’s best for the people of our state. Republicans would rather have us sit here in gridlock than do the jobs we were sent here to do, and that’s a shame.”