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Reboletti: State Budget is a “Sham”

Democrat Budget Would Increase State Spending & Place the State in Further Debt

Springfield ... Today, the House Democrats passed a state budget, which would increase state spending by \$3.1 billion and plunge the state further into debt. “This budget is built on lies. The Democrats have lied to the schools, lied to the social service agencies and lied to every resident in this state. They’ve promised more funding for programs and services and they know full well that the revenue is not there to fund it,” said State Representative Dennis Reboletti (R-Elmhurst).

Reboletti noted that the state currently faces a \$500 million shortfall and has \$1.7 billion backlog of unpaid bills – most of it being owed to doctors and hospitals that treat Medicaid patients. In addition, House Democrats have also proposed withholding the last two school aid payments. Schools would receive their payment in the following fiscal year.

“The state is broke and yet the House Democrats have proposed a budget that increases spending by billions of dollars,” said State Representative Dennis Reboletti (R-Elmhurst). “This is just election year pandering by the Democrats. The Democrats promise social service organizations and schools more money and yet even though the Democrats control this state they can’t deliver. There’s not enough money to even cover the bills this year. Can we support this type of budget-making process – no we can’t!”

Reboletti stated that he would like to see a budget proposed that mandated that the state live within its means, pay its bills on time and not raise taxes on the hardworking families in this state. Furthermore, the legislature needs to act quickly and propose a capital program which will repair our broken roads, pump millions into our economy and create new jobs.

“We can no longer wait for a capital bill. The roads and bridges in my district and across the state are to a point of putting at the risk the lives of the families and individuals who drive on them,” Reboletti said. “It’s time for the Democrats to come to the table and start working on a responsible budget and capital bill.”

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