



STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Tony Evers, Governor
Kathy Blumenfeld, Secretary-designee

April 28, 2022

Mr. Edward Blazel, Chief Clerk
Wisconsin State Assembly
17 West Main Street, Suite 401
Madison, WI 53703

Mr. Michael Queensland, Chief Clerk
Wisconsin State Senate
B20 Southeast, State Capitol
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Messrs. Blazel and Queensland:

In accordance with s. 16.548, Wis. Stats., please find enclosed the quarterly report for the Wisconsin Federal-State Relations Office (Office). This report contains information on the activities of the Office and the status of federal legislation of concern to the State of Wisconsin for the first quarter of calendar year 2022.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the report.

Sincerely,

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Secretary Kathy Blumenfeld
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Kathy Blumenfeld
Secretary-designee

cc: Governor Tony Evers

Enclosure

State of Wisconsin
Washington, D.C. Federal-State Relations Office
Quarterly Report
January 1, 2022 – March 31, 2022

As has been the case, the Governor's Office and the Department of Administration continue to maintain frequent communication with Wisconsin's federal delegation, the White House, and other federal agencies regarding issues affecting our state, including the state and federal government's response to the coronavirus pandemic and our state's continued economic recovery.

As Director of the State of Wisconsin Federal-State Relations Office, Noah Roberts has maintained communication with Wisconsin's federal partners. In addition to standard communication with members of the Wisconsin Congressional Delegation conducted by the Evers Administration, Noah Roberts has engaged in outreach to each member of the Wisconsin Congressional Delegation. Additionally, the State Federal Director has conducted outreach and engaged with federal agencies, our partners at the National Governors Association and neighboring states, as well as other Wisconsin partners conducting business before the United States government.

Governor Evers and his administration are actively collaborating with officials in the federal administration and Wisconsin's federal delegation regarding matters important to the State and the people of Wisconsin. This includes sustained advocacy for measures to address supply chain challenges, efforts to reduce costs for Wisconsinites, including the cost of gas at the pump, and programs that support child nutrition and home visiting services. The Evers Administration also continues to be engaged on the implementation of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

Lastly, Governor Evers and his administration continue to be in constant contact with the Federal Administration, including but not limited to, the White House, the US Department of Health and Human Services, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency regarding ongoing efforts to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Evers Administration has worked diligently to secure and protect resources, supplies, and personnel to support Wisconsin. This includes successfully preserving an estimated \$225 million of Wisconsin's allotment of the American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. Governor Evers has deployed the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to support small businesses and economic development across the state, allocating more than half for grants to businesses and workforce initiatives. Based on investments directed by Governor Evers and as a proportion of allocated fiscal recovery funds, Wisconsin ranks second in the country among states for aid we have directed to economic development and first in aid directed to businesses.

The Evers Administration will continue its collaboration with its federal partners to ensure that the interests of the people of Wisconsin are heard, considered, and advanced by the United States federal government in Washington, DC.