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## **Representative Lisa Subeck's Statement on Governor Walker's Proposed Earned Income Tax Credit Changes**

MADISON – State Representative Lisa Subeck (D – Madison), ranking Democratic member on the Assembly Committee on Public Benefit Reform, released the following statement today in response to Governor Walker's announcement regarding proposed changes to Wisconsin's Earned Income Tax Credit:

“Republicans have spent the last six years driving down wages in Wisconsin. If the Governor were serious about helping low-income working families and their children move out of poverty, he would support initiatives that raise wages and put more money in the pockets of all low-income working families. Instead, the Governor's proposal leaves in place deep cuts he made in his 2011-13 budget to the Earned Income Tax Credit for families with two or more children.

Nearly half of Wisconsin's low-wage working families who are eligible for the EITC have more than one child, and the so-called 'reform' to the Earned Income Tax Credit announced today by the Governor does nothing to help these families put food on the table or keep a roof over their heads. The Governor's proposed EITC structure unfairly punishes low-income working families who choose to have more than one child.

Again, the Governor turns a blind eye to the problem of poverty level wages. While Governor Walker and Republicans pay lip service to helping working families, I remain committed to the fight for family supporting jobs and policies that make it easier for all Wisconsin families to get ahead.”

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