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### **Joint Finance Committee Invests \$155 Million into Local Roads** *LeMahieu Votes to Protect Area Road Projects*

**Madison** – Today, the Joint Finance Committee voted to invest \$155 million into local roads. This includes more than \$66 million into ongoing general transportation aids and \$90 million in one-time funding for local road repair and replacement.

“This is a historic investment in improving our local infrastructure,” stated Sen. Devin LeMahieu (R-Oostburg). “This is good news for any driver that uses town, village, city, or county roads.”

Earlier this week, LeMahieu joined Sen. Howard Marklein (R-Spring Green) and eight other Senate Republicans in announcing a \$133 million one-time investment into local roads. The plan approved today by the Committee follows negotiations with the Assembly.

“As I stated on Wednesday, due to a strong economy and smart budgeting, Wisconsin has a surplus. This plan uses part of that surplus to make a major one-time investment in local roads,” continued LeMahieu.

Other highlights of the Legislature’s transportation plan include the following:

- Funding the four-lane expansion of Highway 23
- Historically high increase for the state highway rehabilitation fund
- Historically low transportation bonding
- New reforms at the Department of Transportation, such as alternative methods for bidding projects like “Design-Build.”

“Today, the Joint Finance Committee voted to invest in local roads, repair highways, and keep vital projects like the Highway 23 expansion on track,” concluded LeMahieu.

*Senator Devin LeMahieu (R-Oostburg) represents the 9<sup>th</sup> Senate District, which includes portions of Sheboygan, Manitowoc, and Calumet Counties. He is a Member of the Joint Committee on Finance.*

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