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Rep. Macco Supports Interstate 41 Expansion Funding in State Budget

Green Bay...Last Thursday, the legislature's Joint Finance Committee approved several significant improvements to Interstate 41 between Brown and Outagamie Counties in the state budget for Fiscal Years 2019-2021.

One improvement is the expansion of Interstate 41 from four to six lanes for the 23 miles between Highway 96 in Outagamie County to County Highway F in Brown County. The bill also requires the Department of Transportation to construct an interchange in De Pere at Southbridge Road. This legislation includes \$4 million in the first year of the budget and \$2 million in the second year to help pay for the required environmental review studies and the interchange report. Rep. Macco released the following statement:

"Improving Interstate 41 is a top priority for me. Constructing an interchange on I-41 near Scheuring Road is a critical first step towards the construction of the Southern Bridge. As a resident of the Green Bay area who drives to Madison on a regular basis, I can personally attest to the need for this additional link across the Fox River and I know that many residents of northeast Wisconsin share that view. This funding in the budget is a crucial step forward to ensure that we can improve Interstate 41 so that we can move both people and freight safely and efficiently. I would like to thank the Joint Finance Committee for including this important provision in the budget."

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