



WISCONSIN STATE SENATOR  
**PAT KREITLOW**  
 23RD SENATE DISTRICT



*Greetings!*

I hope this letter finds you and your family safe and healthy during the Holiday Season.

During my first two years in the Senate, I've made getting your input one of my top priorities. I've held over 50 listening sessions throughout the 23rd Senate District, hearing from hundreds of citizens in the process. This spring, nearly 2,000 of you took the time to respond to my legislative survey, the results of which will help guide my legislative agenda this next year.

One of the products of all of those listening sessions and constituent meetings is the Special Committee on Domestic Bio-Fuels that I Co-Chair with Representative Scott Suder (R-Abbotsford). Scott and I asked for this group to be created in response to the many constituents that asked us to look into what role bio-fuels could play in reducing our dependence on foreign oil, and in growing our local economy. Our group has made a lot of progress over the last few months, and I'm confident that we'll have a comprehensive plan for bio-fuels in Wisconsin to introduce soon as a result.

The latest, and most pressing challenge facing us in Madison is the roughly \$5 billion deficit our state is facing. This budget shortfall is being caused by a serious downturn in the economy, making our job even more difficult. We must close a huge budget deficit

while at the same time strengthening our investment in economic development and job growth. Addressing one or the other is hard enough, but tackling these challenges at the same time will require making some very difficult choices during some very trying times.

Your input will be critical in helping us make the right decisions for Wisconsin families. I've included a comment card on the back of this letter for you to send me your thoughts and ideas on how best to address this budget deficit. I also encourage you to contact my office by phone or by email with your suggestions.

Let me end by saying that I truly believe that this fiscal crisis offers us an opportunity to make some substantial and long overdue changes to how our state operates. We need a broad solution that not only addresses the current budget deficit, but also leaves us in a stronger position in the long term. With your help, we can do just that.

Thanks your for time, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Pat Kreitlow  
 State Senator, 23rd District

Dear Senator Kreitlow:

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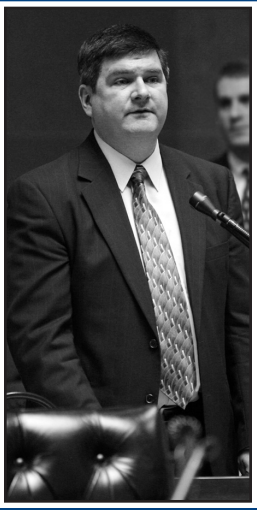


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