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**WALKER ISSUES FACT CHECK ON 2011 BUDGET**

MILWAUKEE – County Executive Scott Walker issued the following fact check on his recommended budget:

Fact Check on 2011 County Budget:

- Includes \$14.2 million worth of wage and benefit reforms. If the reforms are not approved, the budget calls for furlough days and layoffs for the employees who are not assisting the county in balancing the budget.
- Includes \$7 million in revenue from land sales. If the land sales do not materialize, the number of capital projects is reduced to reflect the actual revenues realized by the county. The land sale revenues do NOT cover operating expenses for the county.
- Includes the end of a \$6.8 million payment to the state that was made for the one-time transition of the General Assistance Medical Program (GAMP) into the state program. The payment was included in the 2009/2011 state budget but no other county in the state makes such a payment on a permanent basis.
- Includes \$2 million in revenue for the transit system from video screens installed in buses. The vendors for the system a supervisor brought in to substantiate expected revenues told a county board committee that the system would initially generate revenues from \$1.75 to \$2.5 million annually.

The 2011 county budget is balanced and still reduces the property tax levy by \$1 million.

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