

## Democratic Radio: "The Republican Budget Meltdown"

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MADISON – Today Rep. **Gordon Hintz** (D-Oshkosh) offered the Democratic Weekly Radio Address. The topic this week is legislative Republicans' inability to govern while Governor Walker gets ready to launch his presidential campaign.

"In the four weeks since the Joint Finance Committee last met, Republicans have been fighting in private and pointing fingers in public – putting out dueling press releases and arguing over whether to gut funding for needed infrastructure projects or put more of our state's transportation needs on a credit card," Rep. Hintz said. "Unfortunately, in this Republican family feud, it's our citizens, our infrastructure and our economic well-being that end up losing. It's time for Republicans to show some real leadership and do the right thing for the people of Wisconsin, not just Governor Walker's political career."

The audio file of this week's address can be found [here](#) and a video version can be found [here](#) and below.

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A written transcript of the address is below:

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Republicans took no time at all to make dramatic cuts to public schools and our world-class university system. Yet when it comes to making backroom deals, Republicans are happy to bring the budget process to a complete standstill for weeks. And while his fellow Republicans squabble over the budget, Governor Walker is off pursuing his presidential ambitions.

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