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MADISON, Wis. – A new report details how Ron Johnson has often balked at spending when it hasn't fit his self-serving agenda. See more below.

<u>UpNorthNews</u>: Ron Johnson's Record on Aid to Ukraine Mirrors His Inconsistent Approach to Spending

Key Points

- The Republican Senator [Ron Johnson] has voted against providing help five different times, often citing deficit concerns that don't seem apparent when passing budget-busting tax favors.
- When the US Senate passed a bipartisan spending bill in March that included \$13.6 billion in critical humanitarian and military aid for Ukraine, 68 senators voted for the measure. Wisconsin Sen. Ron Johnson was not one of them. The Republican incumbent, who's up for re-election this November, cited inflation and issues with the legislative process as reasons why he voted against the bill and its efforts to help Ukraine withstand an ongoing Russian invasion.
- Johnson—who expressed no such reservations about how his 2017 tax cut for billionaires would impact future generations—is no stranger to voting no when it comes to

Ron Johnson's Record on Aid to Ukraine

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helping Ukraine withstand Russian aggression. Between 2014—when Russia first invaded and annexed the Crimean peninsula in southern Ukraine—and 2021, Johnson voted against providing aid to Ukraine four different times...

- Johnson—who vacationed in Moscow during the July 4th holiday in 2018—also tried to pin the blame for the Russian invasion on the Democrats' first impeachment of former President Donald Trump. In 2019, Trump withheld critical aid to Ukraine and tried to pressure Ukrainian President Volodomyr Zelenskyy to investigate then-candidate Joe Biden.
- As public sentiment quickly became almost universally pro-Ukraine, however, Johnson appeared to reverse course. He called Putin a "war criminal" and sought to burnish his own pro-Ukraine credentials by co-sponsoring new bills and issuing statements aimed at supporting Ukraine.