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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

I am vetoing Assembly Bill 662 in its entirety.

This bill would prohibit state agencies and other bodies in Wisconsin state government from contracting for the purchase or lease of any property, goods, or services with prohibited business entities, which is broadly defined by the bill as entities located or doing business within the boundaries of a country controlled by a foreign adversary and other certain business or related entities as defined by the bill.

I am vetoing this bill in its entirety because I object to the Legislature making sweeping prohibitions on executive branch agencies and other public entities that may increase costs to Wisconsin taxpayers, even as it provides no new funding for implementation. This bill places blanket prohibitions on state contracting regardless of the product or service being procured and the potential threats they may or may not pose. For example, the risk is not comparable between the purchase of drones and the purchase of simple office supplies such as paper and pens. Further, the bill provides no additional funding for technology system upgrades needed to meet the bill's requirements, nor funding for staff that would be responsible for receiving complaints, conducting investigations, and assessing forfeitures, nor funding for potentially increased costs for the procured goods or services themselves.

I am concerned this bill could greatly hinder the state's current procurement process, increasing costs and delays to Wisconsin taxpayers, imposing increased costs on agencies, and causing possible sourcing delays, each of which would have a negative impact on the state's ability to efficiently and effectively serve the people of our state. Therefore, I must veto this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Tony Evers'.

Tony Evers
Governor