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Madelyn Lampark submitted a new eComment.

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Item: 1. 210894 Substitute resolution relating to the appropriation of the remainder of the first tranche of American Rescue Plan Act funds.

eComment: As countless of studies have shown, the massive increase in social spending during the late 1960s and early 1970s resulted in decreased employment among black Americans, particularly young black men; increased single-parent families, particularly among black Americans; increased crime; increased the proportion of recipients of government aid; and slowed, then reversed, the decline in poverty that had been a result of the growing economy of the 1950s. Transferring wealth from taxpayers who contribute to the economy to those who contribute the least does nothing to increase the economic activity that creates prosperity. With regard to so-called equity, no government action has improved racial disparities (most have made them worse) and it is not clear why the government should be tasked with eliminating this disparity in the first place. A wise economist once quipped, "It is very easy to be generous with other people's money." Taxpayer money should be spent in a way that benefits (with measurable

and documented results) ALL taxpayers. Please invest this money in infrastructure: roads, utilities, etc. and police services (Milwaukee's homicide rate increased 98% from 2019 to 2020).

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