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Statement on State Supreme Court Decision in Fabick v. Evers

Madison, WI – Today, after months of deliberation, the Wisconsin State Supreme Court rendered a decision in the <u>Fabick v. Evers</u> case and ruled that the governor once again violated state law and overstepped his authority by repeatedly issuing executive orders for the same reason without the consent of the Legislature.

Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) released the following statement:

"As I've stated repeatedly since last year, the law is pretty clear here, so I'm not necessarily surprised by the ruling. I am somewhat surprised and discouraged that three Supreme Court justices found a way to dissent from the decision and validate the governor's actions. Judges matter and the Judicial Branch matters. Electing and appointing judges that will follow the law as written is critically important. There have always been multiple legal avenues at the governor's disposal to pursue his goals. Any state or federal executive branch leader that's willing to carelessly and openly challenge and violate the law and the Constitution should give citizens grave pause. There are three separate but equal branches of government for good reason. Each have important and distinct roles in a constitutional republic."

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