

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE Katrina Shankland

71st ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

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## **Rep. Shankland: Statement on Special Session**

MADISON- Rep. Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point) issued the following statement regarding today's special session of the Wisconsin Legislature:

"The Wisconsin State Assembly should have met today. Regardless of elected officials' feelings on the bills, they should show up to work to meet, debate, amend, and vote on them. As elected officials, it is our duty to respond to and represent the will of the people. Ignoring the issues at hand is a disservice to our constituents."

"We are navigating multiple crises at once, yet the Legislature has not convened or passed a bill in 138 days. By not convening, we are missing our opportunity to find common ground and a path forward which respects the urgency of the issues at hand. I know from experience that when we all come to the table, bipartisan compromise is possible, but we have to take that first step together. Let's get to work!"

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