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Rep. Spiros Bills Pass Assembly

Madison – Today the Assembly voted to pass four bills that were authored by Rep. John Spiros (R-Marshfield). Assembly Bills 521, 545, 651 and 724 were all passed by a voice vote.

Assembly Bill 545, a bill done in conjunction with the American Heart Association, would provide lifesaving skills instruction to Wisconsin students by requiring compressions-only CPR training in our state's schools. If this bill is signed into law, Wisconsin will join 27 other states who have passed similar legislation.

“Every day in the United States, 1,000 people suffer a cardiac arrest, and fewer than half of those people receive CPR before EMS arrive,” Rep. Spiros said. “Often, it’s because bystanders simply don’t know what to do. This bill will make our communities safer and improve those survival rates.”

Many schools in Wisconsin already provide CPR training to their students. This bill would replicate those programs and yield an additional 58,000 CPR trained youth in our communities each year.

Assembly Bill 521 would also help ensure the safety of Wisconsin citizens. This bill, dealing with invasions of privacy, expands on a bill authored by Rep. Spiros last session that went on to be signed into law.

“Technology is constantly changing, and our laws need to catch up,” Rep. Spiros said. “This bill would offer more comprehensive protection, given the ways that technological advances have made us all more vulnerable to invasions of privacy.”

The Assembly also passed Assembly 651, which would allow a driver to mount a monitoring device or camera to their front windshield, and Assembly Bill 724, which would make various changes to Worker’s Compensation law in Wisconsin.

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