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Wisconsin State Capitol Police Now Equipped with Narcan

Madison – Rep. John Nygren (R-Marinette) released the following statement regarding the notification that all Wisconsin State Capitol Police officers are now equipped with the anti-overdose drug, Narcan.

“I am proud that the Capitol Police Department has taken the appropriate steps to train their officers in the safe administration of Narcan. This important, life-saving drug has the ability to reverse the symptoms of an opioid overdose.”

“Our state is currently fighting a heroin epidemic; therefore it’s important to give law enforcement the ability to utilize tools that can help save lives. Since Narcan became available, thousands of lives have been saved nationwide.”

Capitol Police informed Rep. Nygren that 44 police officers in the department have taken a training course to learn how to properly carry and administer Narcan. New officers who join the force in the future will also be trained.

“The Capitol Police Department is one of the first departments in Madison and Milwaukee to get this program off the ground following the passage of my HOPE (Heroin, Opiate Prevention and Education) Agenda legislation. It’s exciting to see the positive effects these laws are having across our state.”

This session, Rep. Nygren will continue to build upon the seven bills that make up his HOPE Agenda to further fight Wisconsin’s heroin epidemic.

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