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SeniorCare Extended Through 2018

Madison – Monday, State Rep. John Nygren (R-Marinette), Assembly Co-chair of the budget-writing Joint Finance Committee (JFC), released the following statement regarding the renewal of the SeniorCare waiver through December 31, 2018:

“This past budget cycle, Assembly Republicans vowed to support our state’s elderly populations by saving SeniorCare – Wisconsin’s important prescription drug program that safeguards the affordability of prescription medications for seniors. This program has been beneficial for Wisconsin seniors since its inception in 2001. Today, there are over 80,000 people enrolled in the program. After hearing from SeniorCare enrollees and advocates statewide, it was clear that Republicans on the JFC had to stand up and save SeniorCare.

“I am proud that we were able to pass a budget that held this program harmless by continuing the same level of funding into the 2015-17 biennium. Today, the Department of Health Services (DHS) announced that CMS has approved its application to renew the SeniorCare waiver, guaranteeing affordable prescription drugs to Wisconsin seniors for years to come.

“I look forward to continuing the conversation and looking for ways to ensure that prescription drugs remain affordable.”

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