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## **Rep Allen Votes for Fair Elections**

Madison, WI – Today, Rep Allen applauds the passing of several constitutional amendment resolutions related to ensuring free and fair elections in Wisconsin.

SJR 71 passed for the 2nd time and would clarify that the Wisconsin constitution reserves the right to vote in local, state, and federal elections only for US citizens. Some local municipalities around the country have begun giving non-citizens the right to vote in local elections.

"Voting has always been a privilege only for citizens," stated Rep Allen. "Voting 'yes' on this resolution affirmed this historic value."

SJR 78 also passed for the 2nd time and would prohibit any government body from accepting funds from individuals or non-government entities to help conduct an election.

"The conducting of elections is an important part of our democracy. This constitutional amendment would ensure that our duly elected officials, and not partisan actors, control the election process," said Rep. Allen.

SJR 73 is a resolution that was passed for the 1st time. This action would permanently enshrine current state law requiring all voters to present some form of photographic identification card before being allowed to vote. State ID cards are available for free so there is no reason why someone cannot procure a photo ID card.

"Every Wisconsinite wants fair elections," stated Rep Allen. "I believe that the people of Wisconsin will vote in favor of these constitutional amendments."

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Rep. Scott Allen represents the City of Waukesha, the Villages of Dousman, North Prairie, Summit, and Waukesha, and the Towns of Genesee, Mukwonago, and Ottawa.