



# KARL VAN ROY

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

**For Immediate Release**  
**Contact: Rep. Karl Van Roy**

**March 24, 2006**  
**1-888-534-0090**

## **Representative Van Roy Receives Legislator of the Year Award for Home Care Work**

**MADISON** – Rep. Karl Van Roy (R-Howard) received the Legislator of the Year Award today from the Wisconsin Chapter of the National Private Duty Association (NPDA). Van Roy accepted the award at a ceremony following the signing into law of AB 792, a bill Van Roy authored to protect home care workers and consumers in Wisconsin. NPDA said it selected Van Roy to receive the award based on his commitment to seniors and the home care industry.

“Receiving this award is a great honor for me,” stated Van Roy. “I have always strongly supported seniors and worked hard to make a difference on senior issues.”

Under the new law, home care placement agencies and registries who match a worker and a consumer together to form a private, direct-hire relationship will have to provide a form to workers and consumers describing the employment relationship and explaining who is responsible for paying wages, taxes, worker’s compensation or liability insurance, among other items. The companies can be sued if they fail to provide the information and the worker or consumer runs into legal trouble and incurs financial losses because of the non-disclosure.

Steven Rayl, President of the Wisconsin chapter of NPDA, said he appreciates all that Van Roy has done to strengthen the growing home care industry and to reach out to seniors who rely on it. Steve Nooyen, owner of the Home Instead Senior Care facility in Green Bay, also attended the ceremony in support of Van Roy’s work.

“The senior population is growing rapidly every day, and frankly, being 67 years old myself I’m certainly part of that growth,” observed Van Roy. “I look forward to continuing to work with NPDA to pass legislation that helps seniors stay safely in their own homes for as long as possible.”

###