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VAN ROY STATEMENT ON HIS VOTE TO RESTORE WISCONSIN'S MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CAPS

“Today I voted along with a majority of my colleagues on the Assembly Insurance Committee to end the impending medical liability crisis in Wisconsin. Earlier this year, the State Supreme Court ruled that the existing caps were unconstitutional, placing in jeopardy not only the affordability of healthcare for countless Wisconsin families, but also access to vital high risk services such as OB/GYN and neurosurgery.

Our plan preserves the rights of victims while protecting doctors from trial attorneys who seek to file frivolous lawsuits in Wisconsin increasing the costs of healthcare for everyone. It protects patients, especially women who could see their OB/GYN services disappear as trial lawyers force up medical malpractice insurance rates causing fewer doctors to provide these high risk, but highly critical services.

States without caps have seen malpractice insurance premiums increase by more than 100% these last six years. Worse, they have seen their doctors flee creating an accessibility nightmare. I believe that the passage of these bills today is the first major step to prevent this crisis from coming to Green Bay and the rest of Wisconsin.”

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