



# KARL VAN ROY

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## Van Roy Introduces “Jessica’s Law” *“25 to Life” for sexual predators of children introduced in Wisconsin*

**Madison**—State Representative Karl Van Roy (R-Howard) along with Representatives Mark Honadel (R-South Milwaukee) and Scott Suder (R-Abbotsford) introduced “Jessica’s Law” in Wisconsin today. The law, named after Jessica Lunsford, a 9-year old Florida girl who was raped and brutally murdered by a convicted sex offender, will require strict mandatory minimum prison sentences of 25 years to life for sex offenders who sexually assault children.

**“Those who prey on children destroy the lives of their victims and their families,”** said Van Roy. **“They steal the innocence of each child they terrorize with their horrendous crimes. 25 to life behind bars is the least we can do to bring justice and safety to our communities.”**

Highlights of the legislation include.

- Minimum Mandatory 25 year sentence for 1st degree sexual assault of a child and 2nd degree sexual assault of a child that involves force, coercion or violence.
- Possible lifetime sentence for 1st time offenders
- Strong safeguards to protect against criminalizing consensual boyfriend/girlfriend relationships.

***Van Roy is available for interviews by calling (608) 266-0617.***

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