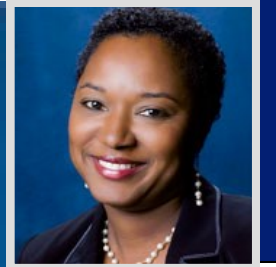


LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

STATE SENATOR LENA C. TAYLOR



GOVERNOR WALKER UNVEILS NEW TAX RELIEF

Governor Scott Walker announced this week a \$100 million property tax relief plan. Under Walker’s new relief plan, property owners can expect approximately \$33 in tax savings over the next two years. This number comes from avoiding the previously \$26 increase, and lowering property taxes by seven dollars. Unsurprisingly, Governor Walker’s relief plan came just days after Madison School Board member Mary Burke announced she would be running for governor as a Democrat. At this point, it is hard to evaluate how fiscally responsible Governor Walker’s plan is. Additionally, it is unclear how much this tax cut will make a difference in our communities, particularly our schools. For now, the only thing that is clear about Walker’s relief plan is that media headlines are once again back in Walker’s favor.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Energy Assistance Now Available!

You may apply for heating assistance through the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP)

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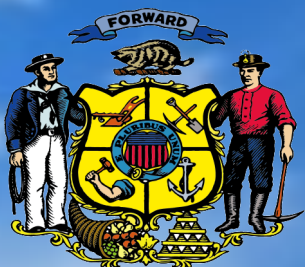
HEROIN OPIATE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION

A four bill heroin prevention and education package was introduced by Rep. Nygren and Sen. Harsdorf this week, and I am proud to co-sponsor the entire package. The first key piece of this package is the “911 Overdose Good Samaritan” initiative. This initiative helps counteract the fear of arrest which stops drug users from calling authorities when their friends are overdosing. Also included in the package is legislation designed to facilitate community drug disposal programs and legislation encouraging the administration of naloxone by emergency services. The last piece of the package includes legislation that requires ID for schedule II and III prescription drug pick-up; without requiring ID, opiate prescriptions easily fall into the wrong hands. Through establishing tighter regulations on the administration of opiates and providing protection for people who report overdoses, this bill package strongly combats rising heroin abuse and deadly overdose in the state of Wisconsin.

Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

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"Who's Teaching Your Child about Sex?"



In support of October's "Let's Talk Month", the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Oversight Committee is launching its latest #SexMyths campaign, "Who's Teaching Your Child about Sex?" This campaign features an interactive online platform with videos and quizzes that hope to better educate teens and parents about sex and healthy relationships. Visit www.getthesexfacts.com to learn more about the campaign. Let's separate the myths from the facts; join me in celebrating "Let's Talk Month."

WISCONSIN CANCER TREATMENT FAIRNESS ACT

The Wisconsin Cancer Treatment Fairness Act provides patients with insurance better access to lifesaving drugs their doctors prescribe them. As a cosponsor, I look forwards to supporting the bill when it reaches the senate floor in the near future. My stance on this bill, which was introduced in September, remains unchanged; patients with insurance should have access to the best form of cancer treatment, not the only one provided by their insurance. With similar bills already passed in 26 other states, the Wisconsin Cancer Treatment Fairness Act promises to make a difference.

Wise Words of the Week!

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We Enjoy
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From You!

"If you can, help others; if you cannot do that, at least do not harm them."

- The Dalai Lama



"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools."

- Martin Luther King Jr.

