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## **Governor Walker Signs Bill That Delivers Worker Freedom**

(Madison, WI) – Governor Scott Walker has signed the Right-To-Work bill, which protects employees by prohibiting them from being forced to join a union and pay dues as a condition of their employment.

Wisconsin becomes the 25<sup>th</sup> Right-To-Work state...and Senator Leah Vukmir (R-Wauwatosa) says the law will improve our business climate and trigger economic growth. “States such as Indiana and Michigan have seen increases in the number of manufacturing jobs after passing Right-To-Work laws. So there is evidence it will help attract new businesses and additional jobs to our state. As companies consider where they might move or grow, Wisconsin needs to be an integral part of the conversation so we can bring more good-paying jobs to the hard-working people of the Badger State.”

There have been a few instances of erroneous reporting by media outlets on Right-To-Work. It’s important to remind Wisconsinites that this law does not prohibit workers from joining a union. It ensures that workers have the individual freedom to decide whether to join or not join a union. Right-To-Work does not eliminate existing unions, does not void existing labor contracts, does not prohibit collective bargaining and does not prohibit workers from organizing a union.

“Businesses in states outside of Wisconsin that are considering relocation care a great deal about Right-To-Work. Wisconsin workers should expect to see more opportunity ahead,” said Vukmir.

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