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## WI Legislature Bipartisan Coalition Releases Election Reform Legislation

**Madison** – Representative Shae Sortwell (R-Gibson) released the following statement today regarding the circulation of bipartisan election reform legislation, co-authored with Representatives Ortiz-Velez (D-Milwaukee) and Goeben (R-Hobart) and Senators Cabral-Guevara (R-Appleton), Taylor (D-Milwaukee), and Jacque (R-De Pere):

"There has been a lot of contention about elections from both sides for the last few years. To lower the temperature on this debate and offer rational solutions we can all agree on, my colleagues and I are introducing two election reform packages that are not intended to involve partisan politics to ensure that people can partake in fair and secure elections while also upholding accountability."

"The bills we circulated seek to address a variety of election topics, including military absentee ballots, polling location closures, election livestreaming records, and more."

"The introduction of these bills is just the beginning of the conversation, with both sides working together on election reform this session."

Details on two packages of bills were circulated last Friday and earlier this afternoon. The deadlines for co-sponsorship are today and May 11<sup>th</sup>, respectively.

Representative Sortwell is available for comment.

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