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## **Rep. Rodriguez Supports Task Force Bills to Fight Human Trafficking**

MADISON – On Thursday, Rep. Jessie Rodriguez (R-Oak Creek) joined her Assembly colleagues in supporting a package of bills offered by the bipartisan Speaker's Task Force on Human Trafficking. The bills passed today are aimed at addressing human trafficking in Wisconsin. Rep. Rodriguez issued the following statement:

"Unfortunately, human trafficking is prevalent in our state. It poses a severe problem in my community, given our proximity to the airport. Earlier this week, I awarded Detective Gary Schneider with the Hometown Hero Award in recognition of his tireless efforts to bring justice for victims of human trafficking. Now, I am supporting a package of bills that will educate the public on human trafficking, provide funding to anti-human trafficking non-profits, impose tougher punishments on traffickers, and empower victims by making it easier for them to sue their traffickers."

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