



WISCONSIN STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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Wisconsinites Deserve to be Heard By Their Elected Representatives

GOP leaders ignore voters' priorities, Governor's call for special session

MADISON, Wis. - Today Legislative Republicans gaveled in and out of Governor Evers' special session to establish a binding referendum process that would have created a pathway for voters to overturn the archaic 1849 abortion law. This is the eleventh special session, out of twelve called by the governor, that has been gaveled in and gaveled out with no action taken by Republicans in the Legislature.

Representative Deb Andraca (D - Whitefish Bay) released the following statement:

"The will of the people should be the law of the land, yet bipartisan bills that address voters' top concerns are routinely ignored by the Republican majority. The Wisconsin legislature should have held a public hearing, gathered input from constituents, and held a vote on the 1849 abortion law. Instead, Legislative Republicans refused to give the people of Wisconsin an opportunity to repeal the abortion ban – a law that was established before women even had the right to vote.

"As legislators, it is our job to listen and be responsive to those we are elected to represent. When the majority of all Wisconsinites – Republicans and Democrats – support access to comprehensive reproductive healthcare, it is our job to listen, to debate, and to enact laws that reflect the will of the people we serve."

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