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## Callahan-Authored Bill to Close Lincoln Hills Signed into Law

[Madison, WI] – State Representative Calvin Callahan (R-Tomahawk) released the following statement upon the signing of <u>Senate Bill (SB) 520</u> into law, authored by Rep. Callahan, which authorizes over \$41 million in general fund supported borrowing to build a new Type 1 juvenile correctional facility in Milwaukee County, the first step in finally closing Lincoln Hills:

"As I've stated before, the closing of Lincoln Hills has been a top priority of mine since I was elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly. Back in February, we passed SB 520 through both houses of the Wisconsin Legislature in a bipartisan manner. Today, I'm proud to see that Gov. Evers has signed SB 520 into law and we can finally move forward with the closure of Lincoln Hills/Copper Lake and repurposing it into an adult facility, and making it a safer environment for the employees within. This is a huge step in the right direction and I'd like to thank everyone who has helped get SB 520 to this step in the legislative process."

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*The 35<sup>th</sup> Assembly District includes all of Lincoln County and portions of Langlade, Marathon, Oneida, and Shawano Counties.*