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Rep. Born Unveils Proposal Addressing District Attorney Staffing

Madison - Today, Rep. Mark Born (R - Beaver Dam) and Rep. John Nygren (R - Marinette) unveiled a proposal that adds 53.75 new assistant district attorney positions in 40 counties across Wisconsin.

"In keeping with our larger conversation on the criminal justice system, it is important to ensure our prosecutors have the tools and resources they need to properly charge and prosecute the cases referred to their offices," said Rep. Born.

"These additional positions will bring much needed support to 40 district attorney offices throughout the state, thereby reducing backlogs and putting more dangerous criminals behind bars," Rep. Born continued. "In Dodge County, crimes associated with drugs and addiction have led to more casework for our system and the additional assistant district attorney position added here will go a long way to help these efforts."

"I am very grateful for Rep. Born and Rep. Jagler's support of district attorney offices across Wisconsin," added Dodge County District Attorney Kurt Klomberg. "The additional staff will make a large positive impact on public safety for every resident of Dodge County and the state."

This proposal was drafted as an amendment to Senate Bill 54, authored by Rep. Joe Sanfelippo (R - New Berlin) and Sen. Leah Vukmir (R - Brookfield) using data from the non-partisan Legislative Audit Bureau's District Attorney Office Workload Analysis. It adds positions in counties whose staffing as a percentage of workload were below the statewide average and requested new positions in the last budget.

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