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Rep. Born Votes to Reject Gov. Evers Overreach

Madison... State Representative Mark Born (R-Beaver Dam) voted to approve Senate Joint Resolution 3 (SJR 3)which repeals Governor Evers' executive order that declared a state of emergency without legislative approval. Unless extended by a joint resolution of the legislature, Wisconsin law clearly establishes that a state of emergency shall not exceed 60 days.

"The Governor continues to overreach and make emergency declarations outside the law," said Rep. Born. "By continuing to ignore elected officials in the legislature and taking a unilateral approach, he is cutting the citizens of Wisconsin out of the decision-making process."

Also this morning, Rep. Born joined his Assembly Republican colleagues in sending a letter to the Governor asking him to work with the legislature on reasonable mask requirements in places that are vulnerable to transmission of Covid-19. This can be done through the administrative rule process. Rep. Born has repeatedly asserted that the vote on SJR 3 is not about masks, but about the Governor's continued overreach.

"Governor Evers, come to the legislature and work with us to establish a reasonable mask requirement," said Rep. Born. "Your go-it-alone approach needs to come to an end."

Rep. Born also voted to approve an amendment to the COVID-19 Relief Bill (Assembly Bill 1). The amendment ensures the state continues to receive roughly \$50 million a month in federal food assistance benefits. Both the joint resolution and Assembly Bill now head back to the state Senate for further action.

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