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Rep. Born Votes to Support Healthcare Access and Affordability

Madison, WI – Representative Mark Born (R-Beaver Dam) voted in favor of several bills brought before the Assembly today which will help ensure affordable and accessible healthcare for Wisconsin residents.

“Protecting those with pre-existing conditions from losing their health insurance and reducing the cost of prescription medications are just a few of the important steps we took today to help improve healthcare access and outcomes in Wisconsin,” said Rep. Born. “We were also able to pass legislation that will allow more medical professionals to administer vaccines, which is imperative as we continue to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Legislation approved by the State Assembly includes:

[Senate Bill 3](#) - Will help lower pharmaceutical costs and insurance premiums by prohibiting Pharmacy Benefit Managers from penalizing insurers or pharmacists for disclosing generic or lower cost alternatives.

[Senate Bill 13](#) – Gives dentists the ability to administer vaccines for COVID-19 and influenza after completing the necessary training. Some estimates have shown that Wisconsin may have enough vaccine for everyone in the state by the end of May. This will help to ensure we have enough vaccinators in place for a smooth rollout.

[Assembly Bill 34](#) – Should the Affordable Care Act be struck down in court, this legislation prohibits insurance companies from denying coverage to a person due to a pre-existing medical condition. The bill also ensures insurance companies cannot refuse to cover services individuals need to treat a pre-existing condition, or charge a higher premium based on someone’s health status. This has been a priority of Assembly Republicans in the past and we are ensuring it remains a priority regardless of what happens at the federal level.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has been difficult on everyone this past year,” said Rep. Born. “These bills will help our friends and families as we move out of the pandemic and beyond, and most importantly are good for the constituents of the 39th Assembly District.”

Each of these bills passed with bipartisan support.

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