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GOP Child Care Legislation Misses the Mark

Madison - Today, the Wisconsin State Assembly convened to debate a Republican-led package of legislation that would make changes to Wisconsin's child care regulation. Representative Lee Snodgrass (D-Appleton) released the following statement regarding the child care legislation:

“Earlier this year, Governor Tony Evers released his plan to invest more than \$300 million into the Child Care Counts program to help working families across our state access quality, affordable childcare. But, instead of joining us and Governor Evers to make this important investment, legislative Republicans abandoned Child Care Counts and chose to bring forward a package of legislation that does not address Wisconsin's real and urgent child care challenges and in many cases makes it worse.”

“It's clear that without help from the state, the child care market in Wisconsin will begin to collapse, care givers will leave the field, rates will be raised and both working families and child care centers will be put in difficult financial positions. We simply cannot afford to miss this opportunity to invest in Child Care Counts.

“Luckily, we have another chance during Governor Evers special session on September 20th to invest in Wisconsin's working families. I sincerely hope my Republican colleagues will join us next week to invest in Child Care Counts so we can continue to work.”

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