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Assembly Passes Two Rozar Bills

Madison — Today, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed two bills authored by Representative Donna Rozar (R-Marshfield).

Assembly Bill 431 would allow hearing instrument specialists to remove ear wax as part of their scope of practice. Current law does not allow hearing instrument specialists to remove ear wax, a process known as cerumen management. Hearing instrument specialists who choose to practice cerumen management will be required to complete training and obtain a certification from the Hearing and Speech Board.

Assembly Bill 242 clarifies the county of residence for certain long-term care patients. This clarification is needed to prevent unnecessary disputes between counties, and will provide continuity to the Department of Health Services.

"I am proud to have brought these two common-sense bills before the Assembly," said Rozar. "Assembly Bill 431 is all about affordability and accessibility. It will reduce costs and save patients time when being fitted for hearing aids. Assembly Bill 242 will clarify the county of residence for certain long-term care patients.

Both Assembly Bill 431 and Assembly Bill 242 received bi-partisan support in their respective committees and on the Assembly floor. Having already passed in the State Senate, the bills now await consideration by Governor Evers.

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The 69th Assembly District includes municipalities in portions of Clark, Jackson, Marathon, and Wood Counties.