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Number of Bills Authored by Rep VanderMeer Expected to be Taken up Next Week During State Assembly Floor Sessions

Madison – Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) has authored a number of proposals that are planned to be taken up next week in the State Assembly. The legislation VanderMeer has authored covers topics ranging from increasing patient access to Physician Assistants, to adding and funding positions for applied researchers at UW Extension that work directly with cranberry farmers and potato and vegetable producers, and making it easy for military members, former military members and their spouses to obtain reciprocal licenses through the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS).

Representative VanderMeer released the following statement:

“I’m extremely pleased that there’s a good chance the Assembly will take these proposals up in the coming week. It’s not easy to get a bill this far along in the process. You don’t just need a good idea, but coalitions need to be built, a case needs to be made, and a number of conversations need to occur to move a proposal this far.

“I’m thankful to individuals throughout the 70th district for their advocacy and expertise, in particular, as these proposals have moved forward. In addition, I’m thankful to my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for helping to move these proposals forward. All of the proposals that I’ve authored and targeted to move next week were passed with unanimous support coming out of committee, and a few had active Democrat co-authors.

“I think these are very sensible proposals that positively impact the individuals and families of the 70th Assembly District and our state, and it’s really an excellent cross-section of the type of work I try to focus on for the people of our local communities. Included are bills that positively impact our farmers, the agriculture industry and milk and commodity haulers, legislation that increases access to healthcare, especially in rural areas, legislation for active duty military and veterans in our state, and a piece of legislation that focuses on driving investment to rural communities.”

[Assembly Bill 575](#), relating to the regulation of Physician Assistants, is currently scheduled to be taken up by the State Assembly on Tuesday, February 18th, during a floor session. In addition, [Assembly Bill 532](#), related to income and franchise tax benefit for investment in Wisconsin opportunity zones, [Assembly Bill 627](#), relating to funding for extension services at the University of Wisconsin System, [Assembly Bill 731](#), relating to reciprocal credentials for service members, former service members, and their spouses, and [Assembly Bill 743](#), relating to an exception to federal hours of service requirements for milk and commodity haulers are tentatively planned to be taken up next week in the Assembly.

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The 70th Assembly District includes portions of Monroe, Jackson, Portage and Wood counties.