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Democrats Deliver Over 13,500 Petitions to Save SeniorCare

MADISON – Today, Assembly and Senate Democrats delivered more than 13,500 petitions to Governor Walker and Republican legislative leaders urging them to save SeniorCare. Petition signatures were collected by citizens from many different communities across the state.

Under current law, SeniorCare is considered credible coverage for prescription drugs, allowing participants to bypass enrolling in Medicare Part D. However, Governor Walker’s 2015-2017 budget proposal would force SeniorCare participants to enroll in Medicare Part D and defund the SeniorCare program by \$15 million.

In response, Rep. Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point) released the following statement:

“It’s clear from the thousands of signatures collected across the state that SeniorCare is a popular, reliable, and successful program. Our seniors deserve affordable prescription coverage. I have heard from many constituents who can’t afford the higher cost to enroll in a Part D plan, and that’s why we must save SeniorCare.

“Over 85,000 seniors participate in SeniorCare and rely on it to stay healthy and meet their budget. The SeniorCare program is a proven success, and the state should honor our commitment to help seniors afford the prescriptions they need. I am proud to stand with legislative Democrats to say ‘Save SeniorCare’ in this budget.”

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