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Rep. Shankland: Statement on U.S. Supreme Court's Refusal of Voter ID Challenge

MADISON – This morning, the U.S. Supreme Court turned away a challenge to Wisconsin's Voter ID law, thereby restoring the law that the court had blocked before the November election. The Voter ID requirement will not be in effect for the April 7 election, but will be in effect for future elections. In response, Rep. Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point) issued the following statement:

"I'm disappointed that the U.S. Supreme Court turned away this challenge to Wisconsin's voter ID law. While I'm pleased that the law will not go into effect until after the spring election, I'm deeply concerned that it will put up more hurdles for thousands of voters, particularly senior citizens, people of color, people with disabilities, and students.

"With Wisconsin ranked worst in the nation for the ever-shrinking middle class, it's time to get serious about job creation, wage growth, and restoring economic opportunity. While Republicans celebrate a law that will only limit people's ability to make their voices heard, Democrats are focused on rebuilding the middle class and helping working families get ahead."

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