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**Rep. Shankland: Court Oversight Needed on Photo ID Given Walker Administration's Track Record of Flat-Out Incompetence**

**Madison** – Assembly Assistant Minority Leader Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point) released the following statement today, speaking to the utter incompetence of the Walker administration and the state's Department of Motor Vehicles as it relates to the issuance of photo identification cards prior to the November 8<sup>th</sup> election. U.S. Judge James Peterson found the state in violation of complying with his court order relating to dispersing information regarding the state's voter ID law and held hearings last week to order corrections be made.

"It seems like every time you turn on a local news station or read a Wisconsin newspaper, you learn about another failure within one of Governor Walker's state agencies. Whether it be the DNR, WEDC, or DOC, a culture of mismanagement seems to run deep in the Walker administration. In recent weeks, we have learned of systemic failures within the state's Department of Motor Vehicles, the agency tasked with dispersing photo identification cards for voting, prior to the November election. It is unacceptable.

"I want to thank U.S. Judge James Peterson for holding hearings last week regarding this problem and ordering corrections be immediately made. I am happy to see Judge Peterson order the state to report to him on a weekly basis through the election about how they are educating the public on the state's law. Thank you to One Wisconsin Institute for bringing this issue forward. With less than one month until the election, I am appreciative of their work and that the judge is making voting easier for everyone."

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