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Rep. Shankland Urges Colleagues to Convene, Move to All-Mail Election to Protect the Public Health

STEVENS POINT – Today, Governor Tony Evers called on the Legislature to convene in special session to take up legislation to move to an all-mail election, send a ballot to every registered voter who has not already requested one by May 19, and to extend the time for those ballots to be received to May 26.

Rep. Katrina Shankland (D-Stevens Point) issued the following statement in response:

"I support Governor Evers' call for a special session to move to a mail-only election and extend the deadline to May 26 to mail the ballots back. For weeks, I have been advocating for an all-mail election, especially after hearing concerns from poll workers and clerks. I do not believe we should jeopardize the public health for the April 7 election, and I'm worried about the long-term health consequences of in-person voting. That's why I've been encouraging people to vote absentee. The Legislature can and should act now to ensure we can safely hold an all-mail election to protect the public health.

"I truly appreciate the commitment and diligence of our clerks and poll workers, and I hope that members of the Legislature will listen to their concerns about the April 7 election. We should heed the governor's call for a special session immediately. The stakes are too high for us not to act."

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