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## Rep. Green's Bill Passes the Assembly

**Madison** – Representative Chanz Green (R-Grand View) had one of his bills pass the Assembly earlier today. Senate Bill 318 deals with allowing certain search and rescue organizations or recovery teams that use human remains detection canines to receive anatomical gifts for training purposes.

"Canine search and rescue dogs are crucial for law enforcement when searching for missing people. They go through extensive training in order to prepare for various situations in the real world, including different odors, items, settings, and environments," said Rep. Green. "Yet, current Wisconsin state statutes do not allow them to train with real parts of the human body, which hampers their ability to be fully prepared when a real-world situation occurs. This bill would allow them to be ready for any real-world situation."

Anatomical gifts are parts of the human body donated after death for transplantation, therapy, research, or education. This bill would not disrupt the current hierarchy for donating and receiving anatomical gifts; it simply allows someone to identify a search and rescue organization as the intended recipient of their donation.

With this bill passing the State Senate earlier in the session, it will now head to Governor Evers' desk.

Rep. Green also voted in favor of a dental healthcare package. These bills included incentivizing dentists to provide dental services for rural communities, helping dentists and dental hygienists from other states to practice in Wisconsin and treat patients, funding to expand Wisconsin's dental programs at technical colleges, and creating more opportunities for patients to receive preventive care, which will reduce costs for high-end dental treatment.

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