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Rep. Green Votes in Favor of Truancy Package

Madison – Representative Chanz Green (R-Grand View) issued the following statement after voting in favor of the truancy package that was brought forth before the Assembly:

"Being on the <u>Assembly Speaker's Task Force on Truancy</u>, we heard from all sorts of groups what has caused truancy to go <u>up</u> in recent years. From the hearings we had and the reports we took in, these bills were produced because of them. These bills are a step in the right direction that involves parents and schools. I was glad to be part of the task force that brought this package forward."

The truancy package would give parents <u>notice</u> from the school if their child is habitually truant, change the <u>definition</u> of truancy, restore accountability by creating a clear and reasonable <u>attendance threshold</u>, include <u>truancy information</u> proposed by DPI in each school district and school accountability report, and create a <u>truancy reduction grant program</u>.

This package heads to the State Senate for consideration.

Rep. Green also voted in favor of other bills such as <u>AB 255</u>, which creates a rural pharmacy practice grant program; <u>AB 671</u>, which would allow law enforcement retirees to return to work in a part-time capacity in order to fill staffing gaps; <u>SB 780</u>, which would increase the non-resident archer/crossbow hunting license from \$162.25 to \$197.25 when it comes to deer hunting; and <u>SJR 117</u>, requesting Governor Evers to send aid and resources to the U.S.-Mexico border to assist with immigration efforts.

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Representative Chanz Green represents the 74th Assembly District, which covers all of Ashland, Bayfield, Iron, and Price counties and includes parts of Douglas and Sawyer counties.