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### **Bipartisan Legislation Moves Forward**

**Madison** – Today, the Assembly passed a number of bipartisan bills including two bills that came from Joint Legislative Council Study Committee on National Guard Sexual Misconduct Procedures. Representative Dave Considine (D-Baraboo) issued the following statement on the passage of these bills:

“I am encouraged to see the Assembly pass bipartisan legislation today. Assembly Bill (AB) 178 and AB 179 are a result of bipartisan work over the summer, including the involvement of important stakeholders. For far too long, sexual assault allegations have been mishandled in the Wisconsin National Guard. I am encouraged to see these proposals move forward which increase transparency and clarity to the Wisconsin National Guard’s sexual misconduct procedures.

“Everybody deserves to be safe in their community and at work. This includes members of the Wisconsin National Guard. We must protect survivors. We must also continue to work to improve these investigations in the state.”

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