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Representative Wichgers Votes for Licensing Reform Package of Bills

Madison – State Representative Chuck Wichgers (R-Muskego) voted Wednesday in support of a package of reforms for the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Standards (DSPS). The Department has been under scrutiny for its unacceptable delays in responding to license applications for state professionals including physical therapists, psychologists, and social workers.

Representative Wichgers issued the following statement:

“The number of constituents who have waited for weeks, months, and even up to a year to get their professional licenses is unacceptable. While I am happy to help them with the process, it’s been clear that the process is broken. The Study Committee on Occupation Licenses was created to examine the problems and I supported the bi-partisan legislation recommendations of the committee.

The bills I voted for will provide necessary data ([AB 200](#) and [AB 201](#)), give DSPS more flexibility on background checks ([AB 202](#)), allow licensed professionals to continue working while their license renewal is processed ([AB 203](#)), extend renewal periods ([AB 204](#)), allow individuals in business and health care professions from other states who are already in good standing to practice in Wisconsin while DSPS processes their full licensure application ([AB 205](#)), and provide reciprocity agreement information to the public ([AB 206](#)).”

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The 82rd Assembly District includes the City of Franklin, the eastern portion of the City of Muskego, and the Village of Greendale.