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Rep. Wichgers Applauds Joint Finance Committee Vote on Naloxone Reporting

Madison, WI – State Representative Chuck Wichgers (R-Muskego) applauded the Joint Finance Committee's vote to include his legislation combatting the opioid epidemic in the biennial budget.

Assembly Bill 139, authored by Rep. Wichgers and Sen. Andre Jacque (R-De Pere), would require the Department of Health Services to report on the administration of medications such as naloxone, otherwise known as Narcan. This medication is used to reverse opioid overdose. The aim of this legislation is to help health care providers avoid prescribing opioids to individuals with past history of opioid abuse.

"This common sense legislation will arm health care providers with much-needed information about their patients and avoid future tragic overdoses," said Rep. Wichgers, "I applaud the Joint Finance Committee for including it in the state budget."

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