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Rep. Edming Supports H.O.P.E Bill Package

Madison – Representative James W. Edming (R-Glen Flora) supported four bills from the H.O.P.E. Agenda (Heroin, Opiate Prevention and Education). The bills seek to assist individuals suffering from opioid addiction and offer additional resources to fight against Wisconsin’s opioid and heroin epidemic.

“My district, like so many over communities in our state, is impacted by the opioid epidemic,” said Rep. Edming. “This legislative package will combat the epidemic by making addition harder to begin and will provide life-saving tools to those who are already addicted.”

Under the legislation, pharmacies will have to report all prescription painkillers filled within 24 hours. Additionally, physicians must reference the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) when writing prescriptions for any monitored controlled substance.

The Assembly also approved legislation that will assist prescribers, dispensers, and law enforcement in obtaining and examining data to minimize issues such as overprescribing, “doctor shopping,” and “pill mills.”

This bill package is the second portion of a comprehensive plan to counter the epidemic.

“I will keep working with legislators, law enforcement, medical experts and advocates in order to help our state fight opioid abuse and addiction,” said Rep. Edming.

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