

State Representative ${\scriptstyle \bullet}$ 88th Assembly District

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Representative Macco Introduces 'Unlocking Employment' Package

Madison, Wisc. – Representative John Macco (R-Ledgeview) released the following statement on the 'Unlocking Employment' Package. This legislation will remove barriers to DACA recipients working and attending university in Wisconsin, and incentivize out-of-state DACA recipients to enter the Wisconsin workforce.

"At the same time that Wisconsin is facing a critical workforce shortage, there are thousands of high quality individuals who are prevented from entering high-need industries because of our state's laws," said Rep. Macco. "DACA recipients are a finite group of driven, highly vetted individuals. I would immediately hire any DACA individual to any of my companies. We should be doing everything we can to enable local DACA recipients to work and encourage DACA recipients nationwide to bring their talents to our state."

The bills Rep. Macco introduced today would do the following:

- Allow DACA recipients to legally obtain Professional Licenses issued by the state
- Enable DACA recipients to qualify for in-state tuition at the UW system
- Create a biennial non-refundable tax credit of \$250 to help offset the \$495 fee DACA recipients are required to pay every 2 years

"In this country, we do not hold children responsible for the crimes of their parents," said Rep. Macco. "The legislation I introduced today will remove the hurdles to success in our laws and allow these upstanding individuals to fully join in moving their communities and Wisconsin forward."