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Representative Spaude Introduces the *Lowering Costs, Improving Lives*Package to Help Wisconsin's Working Families

MADISON, Wis - Today, Legislative Democrats introduced the 'Lowering Costs, Improving Lives' package to help working families across our state. The three-bill package would help to minimize the tax burden for low-income households by expanding the Homestead Tax Credit, reduce food expenses for families by enacting Healthy School Meals for All, and decrease prescription drug prices through our Less for Rx initiative.

Representative Spaude (D - Ashwaubenon) released the following statement regarding the package:

"As representatives, it's our responsibility to ensure that our work here in the capitol is responsive to the needs of the folks that sent us here. Across the state, including in my community of Ashwaubenon and Green Bay, folks have made it clear that they want the legislature to address the barriers that exist for working families to make ends meet. And today, Legislative Democrats are delivering.

"The Lowering Costs, Improving Lives' package will uplift families, seniors, and Wisconsinites in every corner of the state by reducing their cost of living so they have the economic opportunity to thrive. I am particularly excited to introduce the 'Less for Rx' legislation, which I have co-authored, to lower the cost of prescription drugs in our state. As I spoke with voters this past year, folks made it clear to me that the cost of necessary, life-saving prescriptions is far too high. Nobody in our state should be forced to choose between putting food on the table and having their medication.

"The bill package we have introduced will provide financial relief for Wisconsin's working families and improve the lives of everyone around our state. These are just the first of many proposals that Legislative Democrats will introduce to make sure that everyone in Wisconsin has the economic security to thrive."

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