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Assembly Republicans Pass Licensing Reform

Madison- During Wednesday's Assembly Floor Session, State Representative Clint Moses (R-Menomonie) voted in favor of Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) legislation. These bills will help improve the DSPS and the massive backlog for professional licenses.

"I've had far too many constituents reach out to my office about waiting months for their licenses, when they could have been starting their jobs," said Rep. Moses. This has been continuously described as a headache for those with jobs lined up but waiting for their professional license to be approved."

These bills provide DSPS with long-awaited reform, granting them more flexibility and reducing their workload, as well as providing increased transparency for licensed professionals.

"We have many people with healthcare jobs and we want them to remain in the field," continued Rep. Moses. "By extending the renewal period from two to four years, we reduce the hassle of getting a license renewed."

The average processing time for general licensing in Wisconsin is 45 days, with some people even waiting over a year. This legislation's goal is to speed up this process.

These bills now go to the Senate for consideration before heading over to the governor for his approval.

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