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Rep. Pronschinske Applauds the Passage of the Pre-Existing Condition Guaranteed Coverage Act

Madison – Rep. Treig E. Pronschinske (R-Mondovi) celebrated the passage of <u>Assembly Bill 1</u>, the Pre-Existing Condition Guaranteed Coverage Act. With approximately one out of six people in Wisconsin diagnosed with a pre-existing condition, this bill will guarantee access to coverage regardless of changes that may happen at the federal level.

"The health of our citizens should never be used as a political pawn. Everyone knows someone that has a preexisting condition. I am extremely proud to say that this bill had bipartisan support and now protects the people of Wisconsin from discrimination."

This bill prohibits those with a pre-existing condition from being denied a policy, being denied services required to treat a condition, and prevents higher premiums based on a person's health status.

The legislation would make Wisconsin a leader in the Midwest on pre-existing condition coverage and one of only five states to ensure all three elements of protection. After negotiating with Governor Evers, the bill was amended to prohibit annual or lifetime caps on coverage.

An estimated 852,000 people in Wisconsin have a medical condition that could prevent them from buying health insurance on their own if federal provisions were changed. Assembly Bill 1 ensures those individuals will have access to the coverage they deserve.

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