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Assembly Democrats Vote Against Improving Mental Health Conditions in Rural Wisconsin

MADISON – On November 7th, Assembly Republicans voted to override the Governor’s veto to provide much needed additional psychiatric beds in the Chippewa Valley, which would improve mental healthcare in Northwestern Wisconsin.

Assembly Democrats followed suit with Governor Evers’ agenda focusing on benefiting Madison and Milwaukee as the Governor redirected 15 million dollars in funding from providing additional psychiatric beds and gave the money to our two biggest cities instead. When Assembly Democrats had the opportunity to put party politics aside and vote yes on a veto override, they decided to turn their back on the rural areas across the Northern and Western regions of our state.

The addition of these psychiatric beds in the Chippewa Valley would have greatly benefitted the region. Representative Treig E. Pronschinske released the following statement:

“Overwhelmingly our law enforcement personnel are in desperate need of the funding to provide additional psychiatric beds in the Chippewa Valley. Officers are traveling sometimes up to four or more hours each way to bring an individual to a facility that may be hundreds of miles away. It is shameful that my colleagues on the other side of the aisle voted no on the veto override to help our Northern and Western regions of our state. Rural areas have the same mental health concerns as urban areas.”