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## Governor Evers vetoes could-be-help to over 40,000 people in Obvious Political Move

On Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, Governor Tony Evers vetoed bills that would have provided critical funding to the emergency services that have been lost due to the devastating closure of HSHS. Vetoing bills that would help over 40,000 is a different kind of political maliciousness and I cannot express the amount of vehement frustration I have.

Senate Bill 1014 (SB 1014) and Senate Bill (SB 1015) would have not only provided much needed funding to the greater Chippewa Valley, it would have provided an emphasis on how the money could be used to combat the faltering emergency services in and around the Chippewa Valley.

This could have been a critical boost and bridge in lieu of the HSHS closing but Governor Evers, along with local democrats, decided that the bills having an emphasis on the Chippewa Valley wasn't actually a top priority. What was a priority to them, was to get the Department of Health Services (DHS) more funding so they can flippantly spend more money. My large concern is that DHS will use this new found money on their own programs instead of vital emergency room care.

The Democrats and Governor Evers will tell you that what they did, "only helped the community and made the scope more broad." What they won't tell you is that this bill changes this funding from emergency medical services funding to funding their own ideologies.

Democrats are quite literally plays politics with the lives of people all over Chippewa and Eau Claire County because your lives are not nearly as important as their political lives. This is incredibly frustrating and disheartening to me. I just wish that for once the Democrats could come alongside us as their colleagues and not their enemies.

My goal in running for political office has always been to serve the people who elected me and the people who didn't, because at the end of the day, lives are far more important than votes. The HSHS closing has been profoundly calamitous and we must work to find a solution. I will work as hard as the day is long for all of you: that is my promise to you.

As always, feel free to contact my office with questions, comments, or concerns at Rep.Pronschinske@legis.wi.gov.

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