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**Governor Signs Rep. Billings' Bill to Legalize Xylazine Testing Strips**

La Crosse – Today, Governor Evers visited La Crosse to sign Senate Bill 875, which legalizes Xylazine test strips. Rep. Billings released the following statement:

“I am thrilled that the Governor signed SB 875 today in La Crosse. This new law was one of my priorities during the 2023-24 session and the legalization of xylazine test strips will save lives. Xylazine has been mixed with fentanyl in illicit drugs across Wisconsin and has been linked to hundreds of deaths in our state. A xylazine overdose cannot be reversed by medications like Naloxone and by allowing test strips, this policy will prevent overdoses and save lives.”

“This is also a valuable demonstration of how state government should operate. I was made aware of this issue by Dr. Christopher Eberlein, an Emergency Medicine specialist at the Gunderson Health System, and worked to introduce this bill in bipartisan fashion to address the concerns of my area and solve a real problem facing Wisconsinites. We worked together to pass this bill in the Senate and the Assembly, and, thanks to Governor Evers, this bill is now law. The pressing concerns of our constituents should be more important than partisan conflicts and I will continue to work to pass bipartisan legislation prioritized by Wisconsinites across our state.”

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