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Rep. Billings Statement on Assembly Session Day
*Stands with Assembly Democrats Calling for Voters to Weigh In on Restoring
Reproductive Freedom*

Madison, Wis – Today, Rep. Jill Billings stood with her Democratic colleagues to call for a referendum on reproductive health freedom in April. This weekend, the 50th anniversary of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Roe v. Wade*, Democratic legislators put forward an effort to put an advisory referendum on the ballot in April to determine whether Wisconsin should repeal our 1849 criminal abortion ban and restore the protections under *Roe V. Wade*.

“Last year on the campaign trail, following the Supreme Court’s decision to overturn nearly the nearly 50 year precedent of *Roe v. Wade*, I heard people voice their frustration and disapproval of the Court’s decision. Wisconsinites deserve to have a direct say on reproductive health freedoms. These healthcare decisions should be left between the individuals, their families, and their healthcare providers without government interference. “

“Unfortunately, Republican Legislators rejected this request and continue to not only refuse to take action to restore this critical healthcare freedom, but refuse to even let the public weigh in via the ballot box. I will continue to support legislation to overturn Wisconsin’s criminal abortion ban and stand ready to support efforts to allow the public a direct voice on this important issue.”

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Rep. Jill Billings serves the 95th District in the Wisconsin State Assembly. The 95th district includes all of the city of La Crosse, town of Campbell and a portion of the town of Shelby.