



WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

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Secretary Designee Joel Brennan
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Dear Secretary Designee Brennan,

As part of Assembly Bill 56 (Budget), which we supported, the Legislature included increasing the number of Assistant District Attorney (ADA) positions throughout the state by 64.95 FTE. The legislation enumerated specifically where these positions were to be allocated. However, as part of the Governor's veto, he deleted specifically where some of these positions should go and directed you to work with the State Prosecutor's office to allocate the positions back out.

Dunn County, which we represent, was scheduled to receive an additional 2.0 positions. It is our hope that you will redistribute the full positions back to Dunn County as intended by the Legislature.

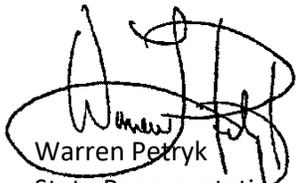
In Dunn County there are currently 3 prosecutor attorneys (Less than in 2002). An analysis done in 2006 stated that the county needed an additional 1.5 FTE ADA's just to keep up with workloads. With the increase in methamphetamine cases, the need for more ADA's has only increased. In addition, CHIPS cases have increased by 44% in the last 5 years in large part because of the methamphetamine crisis.

If Dunn County receives the additional 2.0 ADA positions, they will be able to speed up case times to ensure timely justice for those in our criminal justice system. In addition, the ADA's will be able to spend more time with clients and victims to better understand the circumstances of their cases.

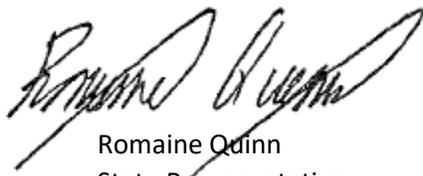
Because of these reasons, and more, we would request that you please seriously consider our support as local elected officials that represent parts of Dunn County to redistribute the position back to Dunn County. Thank you again for your time and service.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to any of our offices.

Sincerely,



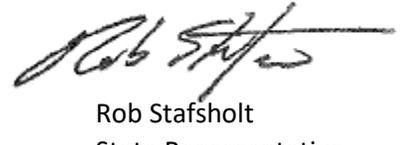
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