

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

STATE SENATOR LENA C. TAYLOR



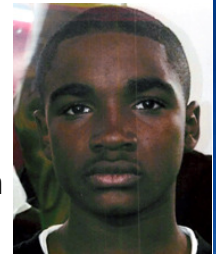
COMMUNITY ALERT

76th Street Road Construction Meeting by WisDOT

Thursday July 25
4pm—7pm
James Madison High
8135 W Florist Ave
*Construction in 2019
on 76th between
Grantosa & Florist*

CASES HIGHLIGHT STOLEN BLACK YOUTH

Americans and Wisconsinites have witnessed the drama and struggle in our justice system through two recent cases: Trayvon Martin/George Zimmerman and in Wisconsin, Darius Simmons/John Spooner (right). Our society has been tried by the outcomes of these cases as we struggle to define intercultural relations in our country. We also know of the Corey Stingley (left), a black youth who died after being restrained by vigilantes for shoplifting. Jonathon Capeheart wrote in the Washington Post, “What this means is that black adolescents cannot afford to be normal American teenagers... And growing up, they can never ever make bad choices or mistakes—the types that teach life lessons, foster humility and build character.” As we continue our conversation on these cases, are we prepared to address the bias and prejudice that inflicts our community?



BIPARTISAN VOTING RIGHTS PUSH IN US SENATE

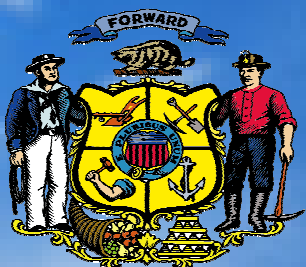
This past week, the United State Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the status and restoration of the Voting Rights Act after the Supreme Court struck out pieces of the law in Shelby County v Holder. This hearing featured a bipartisan joint appearance by Congressman John Lewis and Jim Sensenbrenner both calling for the law to be restored. Sensenbrenner noted that that, “voter discrimination still exists.” and Lewis recalled the days of Selma that led to passage of the law to ensure the vote. While there is sure to be political fighting on this bill, we all should take heed of the words of Ronald Reagan, “the right to vote is the crown jewel of American liberties, and we will not see its luster diminished.” I am glad to see at least federally, the strong bipartisan support in protecting our voter rights. Still, I will authoring a resolution calling for quick action by the US Congress.



Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

As Always, I'm Here to Serve!





MEN'S HEALTH NIGHT
Tuesday, July 23rd
5:30-8:30pm

Wheaton Franciscan—
St. Joseph's Campus
5000 W Chambers St

Leroy Butler—Marlin
Hill—Free Blood Pres-
sure Checks—Food—
Beverages—Jammin'
98.3

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BIPARTISAN BARBERING BILL AUTHORED

To continue to strengthen our barbering industry, I am authoring bipartisan legislation that removes unnecessary barriers for entry into the barbering profession. If passed, the legislation will simplify



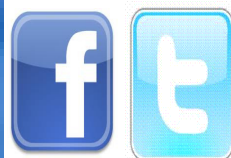
the definition of barbering, give barbering students more flexibility in the length of their schooling, and reduce the hours for a barber apprentice from 4,000 to 2,000. Please contact my office for more information or clarification about this job creating legislation.

HELPING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MANAGE TIDS

Tax Incremental District, or TIDS, are helpful tools for local government to create growth and development. Sometimes though these district lose value or have a "decrement" which can cost taxpayers. I have joined on a bipartisan bill to help the City of Milwaukee and Village of Shorewood reset the value of TIDs in the 4th district. The Bishop's Creek project in Milwaukee and TIDs 3 & 4 in Shorewood both need to state legislation to pass to prevent taxpayer burden. The bill will be up for vote in the fall floor period of the Legislature.

Wise Words of the Week!

Contact Us! "The burden cannot be on those citizens whose rights were violated, or will be violated; it is the duty of Congress to restore the life and soul to the Voting Rights Act. And we must do it on our watch, at this time."
We Enjoy Hearing From You!
— *Congressman John Lewis (D-GA 5)*



"Voter discrimination still exists, and our progress toward equality should not be mistaken for a final victory."
— *Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI 5)*