

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

STATE SENATOR LENA C. TAYLOR



COMMUNITY ALERT

District Listening Session

March 31st 5:30pm -7pm

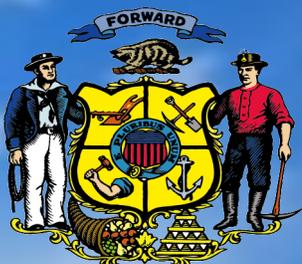
My office will be open to hear your thoughts, concerns and ideas!

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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!



GOP LIMITS VOTING HOURS



On Wednesday, behind doors closed to the public, Governor Walker signed a bill that creates another hurdle for citizens trying to exercise their democratic rights. Before this bill was signed, in-person absentee voting could be conducted beginning on the third

Monday preceding an election and ending at 5 p.m. or the close of business, whichever came first, on the Friday before Election Day. With the Governor's signature, Act 146 officially confines early voting to weekdays from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Voters will no longer be able to cast their ballot on weekends or schedule an appointment with their local clerk. Not only will this legislation lengthen lines at polls in cities like Milwaukee, Madison and Green Bay, but it also makes it more difficult to vote in smaller and rural communities; an appointment with the local clerk is often the easiest process when resources are limited and travel is difficult. Instead of trying to fix a problem, the GOP are trying to fix elections.

THREE DAYS TO GET COVERED

The deadline to enroll for 2014 coverage under the Affordable Care Act is Monday, March 31. Applying is easy, and your health and peace of mind are worth it. This Sunday my office is partnering with Molina Health and local churches to help you sign up!

Church Name	Street Address	1st Sunday Service	2nd Sunday Service
Christian Faith Fellowship Church	8605 W Good Hope Rd	8:00 am & 10 am	12:00 PM
Greater New Birth Baptist Church	8237 W. Silver Spring Dr.	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Holy Redeemer COGIC	3500 W Mother Daniels Way	8:30 AM	11:15 AM

For more information or to enroll, visit www.healthcare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596. Make sure to remind your friends and family to sign up today!



**Spring 2014
Elections are here!**

Make your voice heard!

*Get out and VOTE
Tuesday April 1st
Polls are open
7AM—8PM*

*To find your polling place
or learn how to register,
Visit:
<https://myvote.wi.gov/>*

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PROTECTING PRIVACY



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Last week the Assembly passed SB 196, which would restrict the use of drones to collect evidence or information without first being granted a search warrant. It also dismisses any information obtained using a drone without a warrant. Finally, this bill makes it a crime to sell, possess or use weaponized drones. The use of drones enabled with audio and video recording equipment infringes on citizens' right to privacy. Unless presented with a court-ordered search warrant, all citizens should be safe from unwarranted surveillance. I am proud to support this legislation that protects against the unlawful and invasive intrusion on the rights of private citizens.

MENTAL HEALTH BOARD CREATED

Earlier this month, both houses passed SB 565, allowing for the creation of the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board. The board would be charged with ensuring that mental health services and programs are more community-based, accessible, and delivered effectively and efficiently. Through improved services, the board would also foster an environment in which individuals in need of treatment would feel comfortable seeking help. This is a great opportunity for the county to expand and strengthen the resources available for those in need of treatment and counseling for mental illness.



Wise Words of the Week!

**Contact Us!
We Enjoy
Hearing
From You!**

"Bad officials are elected by good citizens who do not vote."

- George Jean Nathan

"After a century of striving, after a year of debate, after a historic vote, health care reform is no longer an unmet promise. It is the law of the land."

- President Barack Obama

