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Rep. Spreitzer Gives Maiden Speech on So-Called "Right to Work"

MADISON – Today Rep. Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit) gave his maiden speech on the floor as a member of the Wisconsin State Assembly.

"As a new representative, I had hoped to be part of an effort to restore some bipartisanship and personal collegiality that was destroyed in 2011 in the first months of Governor Walker's administration," Rep. Spreitzer said. "Senate Bill 44, the so called 'Right to Work' bill, is one of the most divisive issues that could have been proposed at this time, and is an attack on private sector unions, and an attack on the middle class."

"Wisconsin does not need this bill," Rep. Spreitzer said. "Wisconsin needs a budget. Wisconsin needs more jobs that pay a living wage. Today, we are forced into a divisive debate on a bill that offers destructive answers to a make-believe problem.

"Let's end this divisive debate, go home and talk to the people we represent, and then come back next week to do the people's business."

Rep. Spreitzer serves the 45th Assembly District, representing Rock and Green counties, including Beloit, Evansville, Orfordville, Brodhead, Albany, and Juda. In addition to serving as State Representative and Co-Chair of the Assembly Democratic Caucus, Spreitzer currently serves as President of the Beloit City Council until April of 2015. Prior to taking office in the Assembly, Rep. Spreitzer worked as Assistant Director of Alumni & Parent Relations and Annual Support for Beloit College, his alma mater.

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