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Sen. Mark Spreitzer Announces Committee Assignments and Legislative Staff as 2025-2026 Legislative Session Begins

MADISON – State Senator Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit) announced his committee assignments and legislative staff as the 2025-2026 legislative session began at the State Capitol. Senator Spreitzer was elected to a four-year term in 2022, and represents communities in Rock, Jefferson, and Walworth Counties – including six cities, two villages, and twenty-one towns. Senator Spreitzer serves as the Senate Democratic Caucus Chair for the 2025-2026 legislative session.

"I am proud to serve as your State Senator, and I look forward to continuing to work for the people of our district and our state," said Sen. Spreitzer. "It was wonderful to watch the six new members of the Senate Democratic Caucus be sworn in today, and I am incredibly excited to begin this legislative session with a much larger and more diverse caucus. As your State Senator and as the Senate Democratic Caucus Chair, I will work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle on issues that matter most to Wisconsinites and our district. Together, we can move Wisconsin forward."

Sen. Spreitzer will serve on three committees during the 2025-2026 legislative session. He has been appointed the ranking Democratic member on the Committee on Government Operations, Labor, and Economic Development. Sen. Spreitzer will also serve on the Committee on Transportation and Local Government, and the Committee on Agriculture and Revenue.

"I look forward to serving on these committees in the new legislative session," said Sen. Spreitzer. "I was proud of our bipartisan work together during the 2023-2024 legislative session – including new state laws to improve election administration, to invest in local communities, and to support our farmers and protect our environment. I look forward to continuing to work together on the issues that matter to the people of our state. As we begin the new legislative session, I will fight to ensure that we invest in the people and priorities of our district."

Senator Spreitzer also announced his legislative office staff for the 2025-2026 session:

Doug Hyant will continue to serve as the Senator's Chief of Staff. Doug has worked for Senator Spreitzer since 2019, including two sessions in the State Assembly. Prior to working in the state legislature, Doug worked as the Executive Director of the Assembly Democratic Campaign Committee. Doug lives on Madison's West Side with his wife, Molly, and their two cats, Chickadee and Brig.

Eleanor (Ellie) Thorman will serve as the Senator's Policy Director. Ellie has worked for State Senator Jeff Smith, the Democratic Party of Wisconsin, and the State Senate Democratic Committee. Ellie lives in Madison with her cat, Rosie.

Katie Iliff will serve as the Senator's Communications and Outreach Director. Katie has worked for the Democratic Party of Wisconsin, the State Senate Democratic Committee, and Senate Minority Leader Jennifer Shilling. Katie lives in Madison with her husband and their two cats, Cirilla and Franklin.

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Dylan Moffitt will continue to serve as the Senator's Constituent Services Director. Dylan has worked for Senator Spreitzer since 2024. Prior to working in the state legislature, Dylan worked as a management analyst for the Village of Machesney Park in Illinois. Dylan lives in Madison with his cat, Cali.

Senator Spreitzer's Capitol office is located in Room 108 South of the State Capitol. He can be reached by email at <u>Sen.Spreitzer@legis.wisconsin.gov</u>, by phone at (608) 266-2253, on social media on <u>X.com/SenSpreitzer</u> and <u>Facebook.com/SenSpreitzer</u>, and on his website <u>www.SenSpreitzer.com</u>.

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** Attached to this release are 3 photographs from the 2025 Inauguration at the State Capitol.

Sen. Spreitzer and Staff: Pictured left to right is Katie Iliff, Senator Mark Spreitzer, Eleanor (Ellie) Thorman, Dylan Moffitt, and Doug Hyant.

SD 15 All-district Legislators: Pictured left to right is Rep. Clinton Anderson (AD-44), Rep. Brienne Brown (AD-43), Rep. Ann Roe (AD-45), and Senator Mark Spreitzer (SD-15).

Sen. Spreitzer on Senate Floor: Senator Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit) speaks with fellow Senators on the floor of the Wisconsin State Senate ahead of the Senate Inauguration on January 6th, 2025.