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Senate Republicans Refuse to Take Up Public Safety Measures

MADISON - Today, the Senate is in session and taking up Senate Bill 466, among others, which would prohibit firearms merchant category codes in payment card transactions and prohibit government lists of firearm owners. State Senator Melissa Agard (D-Madison) released the following statement:

"I am disappointed, concerned, and saddened to see that Republican legislators are continuing their years of inaction on gun safety, instead putting forward proposals that protect gun manufacturers. The ordinary people of Wisconsin have raised their voices time and time again, asking our government to address the pervasive public health crisis that plagues our communities. Guns are the [number one cause of death of children](#) in the nation - this does not need to be our reality.

"Everyone in Wisconsin values safety - safety for themselves, their family, and their community. With limited session days left, we should be urgently taking up bills that keep firearms out of the hands of dangerous individuals and protect our neighbors. The fact that Republicans chose to use the limited time we are on the floor to limit liability for big gun manufacturers tells you everything you need to know about their priorities.

"With comprehensive legislation, we can address gun violence together, not as Republicans and Democrats, but as Wisconsinites working to create a safer future for our children. We need to empower Wisconsinites while making our state more secure."

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