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Senator Dianne Hesselbein's Ask to Complete Unfinished Business Goes Ignored by Republican Leadership

MADISON - On Tuesday, Senate Democratic Leader Dianne Hesselbein, on behalf of the Senate Democratic Caucus, <u>sent a letter to Majority Leader Devin LeMahieu</u> urging him to call the Senate in today—the last general-business floor period. The letter requested that action be taken on several outstanding bipartisan proposals the State Assembly has already passed to address issues facing Wisconsinites because, without Senate action, the bills will fail to become law.

Senate Republicans did not schedule any action during today's floorperiod, leaving important business unfinished. Senator Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) released the following statement:

"From providing grants for human trafficking victim services and increasing the affordability of housing for veterans to creating a taskforce for missing and murdered African American women and updating Wisconsin's expungement laws, more work should have been done this year.

"The State Senate should not be a roadblock to progress in Wisconsin. Together, we could have pushed important proposals across the finish line, effecting positive change in Wisconsin and making our state safer, stronger, and more prosperous for all who reside here.

"Unfortunately, Republicans at the helm are content with abandoning their duties and leaving Madison early, with unfinished business looming. There is simply no good reason that these bipartisan bills should fail because of their inaction."

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