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## **HESSELBEIN STATEMENT ON SENATE SESSION**

MADISON – State Senator Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) released the following statement regarding the State Senate floor session:

“Today is another example of missed opportunities. We had an opportunity for compromise on an important health care workforce bill, and my Republican colleagues rejected it -- we had an opportunity to keep highly qualified people in important roles they were willing to serve and my Republican colleagues rejected them - and perhaps most egregiously my Republican colleagues rejected the opportunity to treat youths merely seeking care like human beings and instead turned them into targets for discrimination.

“On the floor, I spoke about how the Republicans are playing politics with gubernatorial appointees. These people are volunteering their time and experience to serve on the various boards across our state. They are highly qualified individuals who bring their expertise to the Natural Resources Board, the Medical Examining Board and the Council on Domestic Abuse. And today, the Republicans fired them for petty, partisan reasons.

“Instead of creating more partisan division, Legislative Republicans should focus on providing real relief to working families, investing in child care, and strengthening our workforce. I am disappointed but not surprised that Republicans once again chose to let those opportunities pass them by.”

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