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HESELBEIN, HAYWOOD MOVE TO BAR FAKE ELECTORS FROM ELECTION OVERSIGHT

In a move the legislators noted should be straightforward and common sense, Sen. Dianne Hesselbein (D-Middleton) and Rep. Kalan Haywood (D-Milwaukee) today circulated legislation that would bar fake electors who actively sought to disenfranchise Wisconsin voters from serving in an official role regulating elections, notably the Wisconsin Elections Commission.

“It should be obvious that anyone who sought to eliminate the votes of millions of Wisconsinites cannot be entrusted with overseeing future elections,” said Hesselbein. “Unfortunately, too many in the current majority party are oblivious to the threats to democracy they place in these positions.”

The legislation Haywood and Hesselbein circulated today would prohibit a person who had attempted to file a false set of Presidential electors – as was infamously done in Wisconsin and other states following the 2020 election -- from serving as a member of the Elections Commission or its staff, serving as the administrator of the Elections Commission or serving as an election official.

“It is clear that individuals who actively work to disenfranchise voters should never be granted a role in shaping the democratic process,” said Haywood. “We must remain vigilant against those who threaten the integrity of our elections.”

Noting that Republicans in both houses prematurely pulled the plug on legislative work, Hesselbein and Haywood said election integrity is just one crucial issue left unaddressed this session and renewed calls for the Legislature to get back to business.