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## Senator Pfaff Requests Answers from Delta Air Lines on Suspension of Service

**Madison, WI** – On Friday, State Senator Brad Pfaff (D-Onalaska), State Representative Jill Billings (D-La Crosse), and State Representative Steve Doyle (D-Onalaska) sent a letter to Delta Air Lines to request answers and a reevaluation of their service reduction to the La Crosse Regional Airport. On March 31<sup>st</sup>, it was announced that Delta Air Lines will be suspending service from La Crosse to the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport, effective June 4<sup>th</sup>. Including this service reduction, the La Crosse Regional Airport will have lost nearly 70% of their flights in June 2023 compared to June 2019.

In response to the suspension of service, Senator Pfaff said,

"Strong regional airports support commerce, tourism, and our overall economy. The La Crosse Regional Airport is a vital hub of transportation for the La Crosse community and western Wisconsin."

"This decision hurts the western Wisconsin businesses and residents who rely on this service to connect them to markets and destinations around the country and world. We need to continue to fund infrastructure and find solutions to workforce shortages to ensure Wisconsinites have access to the transportation they need."

Senator Pfaff will continue to work with officials in La Crosse as this decision by Delta Air Lines is implemented, and continues to be dedicated to helping address the workforce shortages our state and region face.

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Senator Brad Pfaff represents the 32<sup>nd</sup> Senate District, which includes La Crosse, Vernon, Crawford, and southern Monroe County.