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### Three Kapenga Bills Pass the Senate

**Madison** - On Tuesday, three bills authored by Senator Chris Kapenga (R-Delafield) passed the state Senate and are now waiting for passage in the state Assembly.

The Senate unanimously approved Senate Bill 344, reforming adverse possession. The bill increased the protection of property owners from having a portion of their property taken by another person who was simply utilizing the property in some way.

Kapenga said, “A primary responsibility of government is to uphold the most basic of property rights of its citizens. The existing adverse possession doctrine does the opposite, so we put in place an added protection for Wisconsin property owners. It helps ensure their land isn’t unknowingly taken.”

Senate Bill 422 counters an effort by Washington, D.C., to redefine the definition of employers that would benefit specific special interest groups. The bill gives Attorney General Schimel additional leverage if the state challenges this federal overreach in court, and continues to protect small businesses in Wisconsin.

“Because of efforts by unelected Washington bureaucrats and special interests to threaten our long-established business structure, Wisconsin has taken the first step in passing SB 422 to protect entrepreneurs and their employees across the state.”

The Senate also passed a bill that will help connect workers with work by giving more flexibility to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD). It allows moving existing funds from programs that are not working well to programs that are succeeding.

“This bill allows DWD to use funds for workforce education more efficiently and increase opportunities for workers, from students to displaced workers, to find jobs. Instead of spending more taxpayer money, we do this by reallocating money from ineffective programs,” commented Kapenga after unanimous passage of SB 596.

The bills are now available for scheduling on the Assembly floor.

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