

Rep. Kitchens: Statement on Assembly Legislative Session

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Madison– State Representative Joel Kitchens (R-Sturgeon Bay) released the following statement regarding today’s legislative floor session:

“Today, the Assembly voted in bipartisan fashion on a number of bills brought forward by Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette). These bills, which were introduced as a part of a special session, will go a long way towards combating the opioid and heroin epidemic. I thank Representative John Nygren for his continued, relentless leadership on this issue as he builds upon his [HOPE Agenda](#). I look forward to having the Governor sign these bills into law and working with my colleagues to further tackle this issue.

“In addition, the Assembly also passed Assembly Bill 73 Introduced by Representative Todd Novak (R-Dodgeville) to make cheese the official dairy product of Wisconsin. The bill, which was brought forward by fourth grade students from Mineral Point Elementary School looks to make cheese the official state dairy product. I had the privilege of seeing this bill make its way through committee and listened to the convincing testimony of these fourth grade students. It is great to see such bright and curious children learn about the democratic process. It speaks to the high-quality education that we strive for and attain here in Wisconsin. We have our excellent educators to thank for that. You can watch the testimony from

the fourth grade class [here.](#)”