

Rep. Snyder: Right to Try passes Assembly floor

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Rep. Patrick Snyder's first piece of legislation makes its way to Senate

Madison... This afternoon, the Wisconsin State Assembly passed Assembly Bill 69, commonly referred to as Right to Try. The vote was 85-13, demonstrating broad bipartisan appeal. Right to Try legislation grants terminally ill patients access to investigational drug and treatment options that are still undergoing FDA approval. State Rep. Patrick Snyder (Schofield) is the author of this legislation.

“The vote taken by the Assembly this afternoon brings us one step closer to bringing Right to Try here to Wisconsin,” said Snyder. “I am honored and proud to be leading the charge to make Wisconsin the 34th Right to Try state.”

Right to Try legislation aims at giving terminally ill patients the ability to seek investigational drug and treatment options before they make it to the market. 33 other states have enacted similar legislation in the past three years.

“This bill puts the important decision making in the hands of the terminally ill patient and their loved ones- which is where it should be. These patients are in the worst stages of their lives. Why would the government make them wait any longer to be granted access to these potentially life-saving treatments?”

AB 69 will now be taken up by the State Senate. The Senate companion bill, SB 84, was introduced and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.