

# **Sen. Erpenbach: Statement on Governor Walker action to increase reimbursement rates for mental health and substance abuse providers**

Posted on Tuesday, Oct 24, 2017

**>> WisPolitics is now on the State Affairs network. Get custom keyword notifications, bill tracking and all WisPolitics content. [Get the app or access via desktop.](#)**

Statement on Governor Walker action to increase reimbursement rates for mental health and substance abuse providers.

“I am glad Governor Walker has joined the fight to improve access to mental health in Wisconsin with his announcement today that he plans to increase reimbursement rates for mental health and substance abuse treatment professionals. We have long advocated for and offered motions (that were voted down) creating a higher reimbursement rate because we have known, for years, that Wisconsin has been losing educated and trained staff to other states simply because of our low rates. It has always been within the Governor’s power to choose to help mental health access this way and I am happy he has finally decided to do it.”