

Sen. Nass: Calls for immediate session of the Legislature to stop Gov. Evers

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Senator Steve Nass (R-Whitewater) issued the following statement in response to Governor Tony Evers illegally issuing his third Covid-19 emergency declaration (Executive Order 90) that allows for the Governor and DHS Secretary-Designee Andrea Palm to issue dictatorial public health edicts. The first order issued today is a renewed statewide face mask mandate until November 21, 2020:

“Assembly Speaker Robin Vos has enabled the continuing illegal conduct of Governor Evers in issuing repeated emergency declarations and a failed statewide mask mandate. The Legislature has the constitutional and statutory authority to call an extraordinary session and put an end to the improper actions of the Governor.

I fear that some Republican leaders will now hide behind a court challenge to avoid taking an up-or-down vote on rescinding the Governor’s third Covid-19 emergency declaration. A court challenge could take weeks or months to get a final decision, but citizens would still be under the dictatorial rule of an incompetent Governor.

We can vote to rescind the emergency declaration in extraordinary session and still commence court challenges to the Governor's abusive actions to prevent future illegal conduct.

I am calling on Speaker Robin Vos and Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald to immediately call the Legislature back into session to pass a joint resolution ending Governor Evers' new illegal and unnecessary emergency declaration. The Legislature is empowered to end any emergency declaration issued by a Governor through the simple passage of a joint resolution that doesn't require the Governor's approval."