

Rep. Stubbs: Statement on Introduction of Speaker's Taskforce on Racial Disparities' Bills

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Madison, WI –Representative Stubbs (D-77) and Representative Steineke (R-05), the Co-Chairs of the Speaker's Taskforce on Racial Disparities, introduced seven pieces of legislation that address the recommendations of the Subcommittee on Law Enforcement Policies and Standards. On these bills, Representative Stubbs issued the following statement:

“For seven months, the Speaker's Taskforce on Racial Disparities' Subcommittee on Law Enforcement Policies and Standards has worked with community leaders, leaders in the faith community and experts in law enforcement to address the real issues in our policing system. I am very proud of the work we have done, and to see our recommendations reflected in policy”

“Hard work is about compromise, and I thank all of the members of the Taskforce for coming to the table and helping craft a real path forward. This unprecedented process included many valuable voices, and I am proud to say we are now one step closer to seeing meaningful reforms in our state. These bills mandate police accountability, invest in comprehensive trainings, and will promote a better relationship between community and law enforcement.”

“These seven bills, along with amendments to bills in the Senate, address 14 of the 18 recommendations reported by the Taskforce only a month ago. This progress is real, and addresses many key areas of our law enforcement system.”

“But the work does not end here. While these bills have bipartisan support in the Senate and the Assembly, they still need to be passed through committee, and voted on in both houses. This is a step in the right direction for law enforcement, for our communities, and for the great state of Wisconsin.”