

ICYMI: WisDems blast WisGOP for inaction on baby formula shortage

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MADISON, Wis. - While Wisconsin Republicans in Congress exploited the baby formula shortage to score cheap political points, Wisconsin Democrats held GOP Reps. Steil, Fitzgerald, Grothman, Tiffany, and Gallagher accountable for voting against legislation that will put formula back on the shelves:

Milwaukee Courier: [Democrats Blast Republicans on Lack of Response to Baby Formula Crisis](#)

“At a press conference on Wednesday June 1, four Milwaukee area legislators blasted Republicans in Congress including Representatives Steil, Fitzgerald, Grothman, Tiffany, and Gallagher for voting against emergency funding for baby formula distribution.

“The lack of action from Republicans failed Wisconsin parents amid a national shortage.

[...]

“Democrat speakers highlighted how, despite Republicans’ opposition, Democrats like President Joe Biden, Governor Tony Evers, and Representative Gwen Moore are working to address the national baby formula shortage.”

UpNorthNews: [The Infant Formula Crisis That Wisconsin’s Congressional Republicans Voted Against Addressing Is Getting Worse](#)

“It’s been more than two weeks since every Wisconsin Republican in the US House voted against an emergency bill to address the dire shortage of baby formula, and some state lawmakers aren’t letting people forget about it.

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“During an event in Milwaukee this week, state Assembly Reps. Robyn Vining and Deb Andraca and state Sens. LaTonya Johnson and Chris Larson blasted US Reps. Tom Tiffany, Bryan Steil, Mike Gallagher, Glenn Grothman, and Scott Fitzgerald for opposing a measure that would provide \$28 million for the US Food and Drug Administration to hire more formula inspectors to improve production oversight and prevent fraudulent products from hitting store shelves.

“The measure ultimately passed 231-192, with 12 Republicans joining 219 Democrats to pass the bill.

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“Johnson—who said she was unable to adequately breastfeed her daughter nearly 25 years ago when she was born prematurely—recalled the anxiety of fearing for a child’s well-being. ‘I still remember the panic, the fear, the frustration, the anger of not being able to feed my hungry child as she cried,’ Johnson said. ‘That’s why I was so horrified to learn that every Wisconsin Republican in Congress voted against the emergency funding to produce and distribute baby formula across the country. You had parents, guardians, and family members searching with desperation for formula their children so desperately needed. To deny them this formula and to actively stand against solutions. Is immoral and an absolute failure on the parts of Wisconsin Republicans in Congress.’”