

# Sen. Ringhand: Announces retirement

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State Senator Janis Ringhand (D-Evansville) has announced that she will not seek re-election to the State Senate.

“It has been a great honor to serve the people of the 15<sup>th</sup> Senate district. While I will miss working with colleagues on important issues, I think that this is the right time to step aside, relax and retire.”

Senator Ringhand was elected to the State Assembly in 2010 and the State Senate in 2014. She is currently the Assistant Minority leader for the Senate Democrats. Prior to serving in the state legislature, Ringhand was the mayor of Evansville, a member of the city council and a volunteer on numerous local boards and commissions.

In the state legislature, Senator Ringhand was as a strong voice for union labor, expanding paid Family and Medical Leave, reigning in the Dark Store tax loophole, an advocate for local control and promoting Economic & Workforce Development, Retirement Security and Financial Literacy.

She also produces the regionally popular Ringhand Beer Mustard, which is sold throughout southern Wisconsin. “I look forward to having more time to make and distribute Ringhand Beer Mustard.”

Senator Ringhand and her husband Gordy have two children, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

“I will always be grateful for the support people have shown throughout the years. I will miss the back and forth exchanges with my colleagues at the Capitol and

helping folks back home. The time is right for me to move on.”