

# Opportunity Wisconsin: Van Orden and Steil vote to protect Trump's costly tariffs as Wisconsin families pay the price

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*After voting to block tariff challenges, House to vote Wednesday on ending Canada tariffs that have driven up costs*

MADISON, Wis. – On Tuesday night, Congressmen Derrick Van Orden and Bryan Steil voted to prevent Congress from challenging President Trump's tariffs, which new reports show [have cost families an extra \\$1,000 last year and are projected to cost \\$1,300 this year](#) according to new research from the nonpartisan Tax Foundation. The measure failed [217-214](#) after three Republicans joined all Democrats in opposing it, clearing the way for a vote as early as today on [a resolution to end Trump's tariffs on Canada](#).

“Congressmen Van Orden and Steil had a choice: stand with Wisconsin families struggling with higher costs or protect Trump's tariff policies that are driving up prices on everything from groceries to building materials,” **said Opportunity Wisconsin Program Director Meghan Roh.** “They chose to shield these tariffs, even as new data shows tariffs are dramatically increasing costs for working families. It's time for Van Orden and Steil to reject these tariffs and provide relief to Wisconsin families – including voting to end Canadian tariffs that are forcing prices higher.”

New data shows Trump's tariffs are wiping out any benefit Wisconsin families might have received from recent tax cuts. [According to the Tax Foundation](#), tariffs have

erased between 70 percent and 95 percent of tax cuts for middle-income families. For lower-middle-income households, their projected \$245 tax cut is nearly canceled out by an estimated \$233 tariff burden.