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## **Eight Bills Authored by Senator Kapenga Advance**

**Madison** – Yesterday, both the Senate and the Assembly convened to take up legislation. Eight bills authored by Senator Chris Kapenga (R-Delafield) were considered by legislators.

Senate Bills 108 and 109 received voice votes in the Senate to bring regulatory relief to the cosmetology industry. Senate Bill 108 ensures that cosmetologists who move to Wisconsin are able to practice here, and it limits continuing education requirements for all cosmetologists. Senate Bill 109 permits cosmetologists to take their services to customers outside physical establishments, and it scales back manager and instructor license requirements. Both bills await action in the Assembly.

“These reforms will have a tangible effect on entrepreneurs in Wisconsin’s cosmetology industry,” said Senator Kapenga. “People across the state are stepping forward saying they need these reforms to keep their barber shops or salons open. Passing SB 108 and 109 will provide needed relief.”

The Assembly took up a trio of Kapenga bills pertaining to Article V. Assembly Joint Resolution 21 is an application to Congress to call a convention to draft a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution. Two other complimentary bills outline the rules under which such a convention would function (Assembly Joint Resolution 20) and how Wisconsin would select its delegates (Assembly Bill 165). All three pieces of legislation passed in the Assembly and await votes in the Senate.

“These votes are a step towards taking financial responsibility to Washington,” said Senator Kapenga. “With no sign the federal government will slow its spending, it is appropriate for state legislatures to exercise their authority under Article V to require Congress to balance its budget.”

The Senate also approved three other bills authored by Senator Kapenga. Senate Bill 180 enables the City of Waukesha to proceed with its water diversion project. Senate Bill 285 permits business corporations to hold shareholders’ meetings virtually. Both of these bill await action in the Assembly. Finally, Assembly Bill 170 permits advertising on bus shelters along state trunk highways. This bill already passed in the Assembly and awaits the governor’s signature.

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