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Representative Lisa Subeck Announces Pair of Bills Addressing Food Allergies Passes Consumer Protection Committee

MADISON – Today, Representative Lisa Subeck (D-Madison) announced that the Assembly Committee on Consumer Protection passed a pair of bills that would mitigate the risk of food allergies and unnecessary exposure to consumers in eating establishments. Assembly Bills (AB) 240 and 241, authored by Rep. Pat Snyder (R-Schofield) and Rep. Subeck, require certain retail food establishments to display posters with information about how staff should handle food allergies and would require a statement on menus instructing customers to inform staff of any food allergies.

“AB 240 ensures that restaurant staff know what to do if a customer informs them of a food allergy and what steps to take if a customer does experience an anaphylactic reaction,” said Subeck. “AB 241 not only provides guidance to customers but also serves as a reminder to servers about the necessity of communicating food allergy information.”

According to [FARE](#), Food Allergy Research and Education, an estimated 32 million people in the United States have food allergies, including 5.6 million children. Each year in the United States, 200,000 people require emergency treatment for food-related allergic reactions.

“As someone with severe food allergies, I know firsthand how important it is that the food service industry takes these allergies seriously, and that employees in this industry fully understand how to deal with such allergies,” said Subeck.

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