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## **GOP Weekly Radio Address: Continuing to Offer HOPE for Addiction**

**Madison...** Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette) talks about the latest bills signed into law from the Heroin, Opioid Prevention and Education Agenda. The HOPE Agenda.

*I'm State Representative John Nygren. When I first opened up about my family's struggle with opioid addiction, I had no idea the impact it would have statewide. Stories from families and individuals emerged from the shadows cast by the stigma of addiction. These stories have helped us craft the 34 bills that are part of the Heroin, Opioid Prevention, and Education Agenda. Our HOPE Agenda.*

*Just this week, the governor signed an additional four HOPE Agenda bills into law. They are aimed at assisting those in recovery in the workplace, with housing, and expanding access to much needed medication-assisted treatment.*

*I firmly believe it's because of the bipartisan action we have taken together in the legislature that we are now seeing positive impacts throughout the state of Wisconsin. Recently, it was announced that opioid deaths are down for the first time since 2015.*

*Substance abuse is not a partisan issue and it impacts every corner of our state. Our work on the HOPE Agenda is a perfect example of how we can work together to address the significant issues facing our state.*

Audio: [http://legis.wisconsin.gov/eupdates/asm63/NygrenRadioAddress\\_3.5.20.mp3](http://legis.wisconsin.gov/eupdates/asm63/NygrenRadioAddress_3.5.20.mp3)

Video: <https://youtu.be/hemdOkz75UY>

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