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## Fitzgerald Concerned with Milwaukee SafeVote Program

[Madison, WI] – Following the announcement by Mayor Tom Barrett of Milwaukee's "SafeVote" initiative, State Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald (R-Juneau) released the following statement:

"This program raises serious red flags with regards to ballot security. Assisting voters with registering and witnessing signatures is one thing. But these makeshift early voting locations are ripe for abuse, and I am concerned that accountability and transparency will be lacking.

"Futhermore it is disingenuous to claim that this program is necessary due to the chaos that took place in Milwaukee on April 7<sup>th</sup>. The mess that voters faced on that day was the direct result of decisions made by Milwaukee's own leadership, namely Tom Barrett and Neil Albrecht."

Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald (R-Juneau) represents the 13<sup>th</sup> Senate District, which covers portions of Dodge, Jefferson, Waukesha, Washington, Dane, and Columbia counties.

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