91st ASSEMBLY DISTRICT



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## Rep. Emerson Calls Out Republican Inaction

**MADISON -** State Representative Jodi Emerson (D-Eau Claire) released the following statement in response to today's special session:

"Once again, Republican legislators have refused to take action or even show up to debate on justice reform and police accountability. My Democratic colleagues and I stand ready to meet this moment and take up the reform package that has been in front of us all summer. Unfortunately, it is clear that Wisconsin Republicans have simply given up on governing and refuse to address the big issues facing our state.

Perhaps Republicans refuse to do their jobs because they arrogantly believe that their undemocratic, gerrymandered legislative maps will protect them from all accountability. Perhaps they simply don't see a problem with inappropriate use of force and other dangerous police practices that disproportionately affect Black Wisconsinites. Whatever the reason for Republican obstruction, their continued inaction is outrageous and unacceptable. My Democratic colleagues and I will continue working to make Wisconsin a more just and equitable place for all."

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