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The Legislature Has Acted. The Court Must End This.

Madison – Today, Governor Evers issued Executive Order (Executive Order #105) moments after the Legislature acted to revoke his authority to issue such illegal orders. Senate Majority Leader Devin LeMahieu (R-Oostburg) released the following statement:

“Earlier today, Governor Evers continued to show flagrant disregard for the rule of law by issuing yet another illegal statewide mandate. State law is clear: a health emergency can only last 60 days unless extended by a vote of the people's representatives in the Legislature. We are a state of laws and the Legislature made that very clear today.

“Now that the Legislature has affirmatively exercised our authority under Chapter 323 to revoke the overreach of executive emergency powers, we urge the Supreme Court of Wisconsin to end this constitutional crisis.

“As we told the Court in November, even if the Legislature revoked the Governor’s illegal renewal of his 60-day state of emergency, the question would remain just as relevant and urgent because we believed he would simply issue another extension. That has now come to pass.

“The People of Wisconsin can no longer be subjected to confusing, unilateral decrees without basis in statute. We must reinstate the rule of law, uphold separation of powers, and restore confidence in our system of government.

“The Legislature has done our part to stop this lawlessness. Only a court can stop a Governor bent on ignoring the law.”

Wisconsin Supreme Court Oral Argument: *Jeré Fabick v. Tony Evers*

Assistant Attorney General Hannah Schieber Jurss: “..if the legislature exercised its statutory safeguard that it reserved for itself and then the Governor immediately thereafter in an attempt to circumvent that massive procedural safeguard immediately issued another order on the same grounds then I think the legislature would have standing...to bring a claim...” [\[watch clip here\]](#)

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