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Physician Assistant Bill Passes Assembly

Madison – Today, Assembly Bill (AB) 125 passed the Wisconsin State Assembly. Representative Dave Considine (D-Baraboo) is co-author of this bill with Representatives VanderMeer (R-Tomah) and Edming (R-Glen Flora) and Senators Bernier (R-Chippewa Falls), Kooyenga (R-Brookfield), and Pfaff (D-Onalaska). Rep. Considine issued the following statement after the floor vote:

"AB 125 will create a Physician Assistant Affiliated Credentialing Board and will update the regulation of physician assistants. This will allow employers more flexibility in how they supervise PAs. This bill will also allow PAs to better utilize their expertise and education as they deliver care.

"This PA bill is important as it will allow patients increased access to healthcare while maintaining a high standard of care. This is crucial in rural communities like mine where patients often experience extended periods of time as they wait for treatment.

"Last session this bill passed the Assembly but was not voted on in the Senate due to COVID-19. I am glad to have worked with my colleagues to once again pass this much needed legislation."

AB 125 has been sent to the Wisconsin State Senate where it awaits scheduling. Call your State Senator today to encourage them to bring this proposal up for a vote on the Senate floor.

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