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## **Rep. Plumer Votes Against Overreach**

**MADISON, WI** – Rep. Plumer (R – Lodi) took a series of votes today to protect Wisconsinites from government and employer overreach. The Wisconsin State Assembly passed a number of bills today on largely party line votes to prohibit government or employer mandated vaccinations and to prohibit government closures of places of worship during public health emergencies.

"Taking steps to curb the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic shouldn't require us to step on the rights of Wisconsinites," said Rep. Plumer. "Protecting the individual liberties of my constituents is a priority of mine. First Amendment protections and the right to make personal medical decisions shouldn't go away with a public health emergency."

Assembly Bill 24 passed today and prohibits local health officers from closing places of worship in response to the COVID-19 virus or mutations of it. Throughout the pandemic, local faith leaders have shown they are more than responsible enough to enact their own precautions to safeguard the health of their congregations.

The Assembly also passed Assembly Bills 23 and 25 which respectively prohibit local health departments and employers from mandating COVID-19 vaccinations. This bill strengthened already existing protections in state law.

"Vaccines are an incredibly effective tool in the fight against the current pandemic, but personal health care choices should always be left to individuals," said Rep. Plumer.

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