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## Governor Signs Kerkman, Wanggaard Pfizer Bill

Pleasant Prairie – Assembly Bill 120, authored by Rep. Samantha Kerkman (R-Salem Lakes) and Sen. Van Wanggaard (R-Racine) was signed into law today by Gov. Tony Evers.

The legislation, now Wisconsin Act 25 creates an optional license that will allow Pfizer to ship their COVID-19 vaccines with associated vaccination kits created by other entities. Regulations in some other states require this type of licensure in both the shipping and receiving states. This Act will allow Pfizer to utilize its Pleasant Prairie facility to ship nationwide.

Rep. Kerkman had the opportunity to tour the 300,000 square-foot Pfizer facility today and see first-hand the tremendous role the Pleasant Prairie location is playing in fighting the COVID-19 virus.

"I appreciate Governor Evers signing this important bill and finalizing our efforts to keep the vaccine flowing," said Rep. Samantha Kerkman. "This good for the economic vitality of Kenosha county and good for the health of our nation."

"I'm so happy we could get this accomplished for Pfizer and Pleasant Prairie," said Sen. Wanggaard. "With this bill becoming law, our corner of the state is going to play a vital role in the re-opening of the country."

Pfizer employs about 120 personnel in their Pleasant Prairie distribution center with plans to be at 180 employees by 2022, successfully shipping deep-frozen containers of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to vaccination facilities.