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Milwaukee County District Attorney Should be Fired, Not Receive a Raise

[Madison, WI] — Senate President Chris Kapenga (R-Delafield) released a statement following a bipartisan and unanimous vote by the Joint Committee on Employment Relations to prevent the Milwaukee County District Attorney from receiving a wage increase in light of his failed policies that led to the Waukesha Christmas parade tragedy.

"I cannot in good conscious approve a raise for a District Attorney who is directly responsible for letting Darrell Brooks, a dangerous career criminal, out on the streets where he had the opportunity to kill six people and seriously injure dozens more. The District Attorney's soft on crime policies have failed the people not only of Milwaukee, but also of the state."

"We recently learned that one out of every five suspects charged with homicide in Milwaukee County this year were committed by criminals out on bail for another crime. The district attorney needs to own every one of these decisions to place the rights of criminals above the rights of victims. It's time for accountability. The Waukesha County legislative delegation sent a letter to Governor Evers asking him to fire Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm. It's time for the Governor to do his job as well."

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Senator Kapenga represents the 33rd Senate District, which covers most of central Waukesha County and Lake Country.