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Another Predictable, Partisan Decision by a Dane County Judge: Steffen Vows to Reintroduce Court Fairness Bill

Madison, WI—Today, State Representative David Steffen (R-Howard) announced he will reintroduce legislation aimed at ensuring fairness and impartiality in Wisconsin’s circuit courts in cases involving partisan officials and entities. The updated version of 2023 Assembly Bill 128 will establish a random venue selection opportunity in Wisconsin court cases involving state and federal officials and entities. Currently, these types of cases are often heard in the liberal stronghold of Dane County.

“The weaponization of our judicial system in ultra-liberal cities around the country makes this legislation necessary. Today’s decision by a Dane County judge to strike down Act 10 is just the latest example of the partisan decisions adjudicated in Dane County. By including a venue re-assignment option for either side of a court case that involves partisan parties, we will take a big step forward in re-establishing the public’s faith and confidence in the judicial process.

“Adding this voluntary option to request and receive a random case venue re-assignment is a very simple, but impactful way to restore the public’s confidence in our courts,” said Rep. Steffen.

Representative Steffen will circulate this updated bill in the upcoming legislative session which will begin in January 2025.

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