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Rep. Gundrum Votes to Protect Wisconsin Communities

Madison, WI – Representative Gundrum voted in favor of <u>Assembly Bill 24</u>, an immigration-related bill that requires sheriffs to cooperate with federal immigration authorities on individuals taken into custody for felony crimes. Following passage today, he released the following statement:

"I am proud to vote in favor of a bill that will ensure our communities are safe from dangerous criminals. AB 24 requires that county sheriffs across the state of Wisconsin cooperate with ICE officials when it comes to notification and compliance with federal immigration detainers.

"As current law stands, there is no requirement for sheriff departments to work alongside ICE to identify an individual's legal status. While many sheriffs are already complying with federal immigration authorities on this issue, there are a few who are not – and therefore, putting the safety of all Wisconsinites in jeopardy.

"Assembly Bill 24 is a simple and common-sense bill that targets the most dangerous criminals – the ones who are being charged for sexual assault, gang activity, homicide, and other high level offenses. It should not be a controversial opinion to remove these people from our streets. It's time to move past the partisan divide and put the public's safety first.

"It is my hope that Governor Evers reconsiders his position on this important bill and sign it into law."