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## HOPE Agenda Bills Receive Public Hearings

**Madison**--State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette), author of 30 bipartisan bills aimed at combating our states opioid epidemic released the following statement:

“When I first opened up about my family's struggle with opioid addiction, I had no idea the impact it would have statewide. Emerging from the shadows cast by the stigma of addiction came stories from families and individuals around the state. These stories helped us craft the Heroin, Opioid Prevention, and Education Agenda or HOPE,” said Rep. Nygren.

“This agenda consists of 30 bipartisan pieces of legislation aimed at combating our state’s opioid crisis. Together as a state, we have made great strides. But with our triumphs come new challenges and obstacles. The package of bills that I recently introduced are intended to build upon our prior work and continue the progress we have made.”

These bills will accomplish the following:

- Expand access to safe and reliable recovery housing;
- Ensure state employees protections while undoing Medication-Assisted Treatment;
- Extend the highly successful PDMP requirements;
- Expand access to MAT in our corrections environments;
- Remove barriers to Recovery Coaches; and,
- Extend the 911 Good Samaritan law to continue to save lives

“I’d like to thank the statewide stakeholders for their continued support, passion, and dedication to these important issues,” said Rep. Nygren. “Without their expertise, knowledge, and firsthand experience, we would not be able to craft such effective legislation. I look forward to working with my colleagues to move these bills through the legislative process.”