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Driver's license for non-citizens needed

Gov. Evers' proposal addresses public safety, rural workforce issues

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Last week, Gov. Tony Evers included a provision in his proposed budget that would create a driver's license for non-citizens. The Dairy Business Association has been working for several years to convince legislators to allow people, regardless of immigration status, to drive legally in Wisconsin if they are properly trained and insured.

DBA President Tom Crave, who is a farmer, issued the following statement in response to the governor's proposal:



"We appreciate the governor's support for this concept. A person's ability to drive legally should be based on whether that person can drive safely. This provision is about public safety more than anything else. Also, in rural parts of the state, there is sometimes little alternative to driving. An otherwise responsible person should not have to break the law to drive to work or pick up their children from school.

"Whether this provision ends up in the final budget or not, we hope it will highlight the need for this change and keep the discussion going. We are committed to trying to pass some version of legislation allowing for this type of license or driver's permit."

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