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Representative Ryan Clancy Denounces Speaker Vos and Collaborators' Continued, Hateful Attacks on Wisconsin's Trans, Nonbinary, and Intersex Communities

MADISON, Wis. – Rep. Ryan Clancy (D-19) joined the vast majority of the Democratic caucus today in rejecting bills targeting and attacking trans adults and kids. These bills would require teachers to misgender and deadname students, prevent trans kids and adults from participating in team sports, and prohibit gender affirming care for everyone under eighteen years of age, among other foreseeable consequences.

Rep. Clancy is the father of both a trans man and a nonbinary teen. He continued his public, consistent defense of the trans, nonbinary and queer communities by denouncing and voting against all four bills.

Governor Tony Evers is expected to veto the entire package of anti-trans bills passed today by the Wisconsin Assembly with the full support of the Republican caucus.

Rep. Clancy issued the following statement:

"I don't know what could be said on the Assembly floor today that would be more relevant than the testimony already given in committee on these bills. I urge you to listen to the trans kids, adults, and their allies who have already overwhelmingly testified against these bills. I hoped that testimony would have been enough to produce just enough shame in the authors and in Speaker Robin Vos to avoid a vote in committee and to keep this horrific legislation from facing a vote here, then a veto by Governor Tony Evers. But for much of each committee hearing, many Republican chairs were empty, including the chairs of the authors. They copied and pasted this garbage from hateful model legislation in other states, forced scores of folks to travel to the Capitol to defend their very existence, and couldn't even be bothered to listen to them.

Sadly, those brave folks who spoke in committee are not allowed to speak today, but we are, so I rise to do so. I urge you to actually listen to those many hours of impassioned and compelling and heart wrenching testimony of trans and nonbinary and intersex folks and their loved ones and allies. Nothing we say here, today, in this chamber could be more powerful than that."

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