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## **Representative Jagler's legislation to eliminate the "R-word" signed into law**

**Madison:** Today Governor Tony Evers signed his first piece of legislation into law. Senate Bill 19, authored by Representative John Jagler (R-Watertown) and Senator Scott Fitzgerald (R-Juneau), eliminates the phrase "mental retardation" and all its derivatives from state administrative code. The legislation follows up on legislation from a previous session which eliminated the phrases from state statute, but Representative Jagler was surprised the phrase still existed over 80 times in administrative code.

"While this may seem like a small issue to some, it's not to the people effected and their families."

Representative Jagler was joined by several of the individuals with disabilities that testified in favor of the bill at a recent committee hearing.

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