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Assembly Democrats Turn Their Back on Wisconsin's Mental Health Needs

MADISON – Assembly Majority Leader Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) released the following statement regarding Assembly Democrats' failure to prioritize mental health initiatives at today's floor session:

"It is disappointing that none of the Democratic lawmakers were willing to buck their party leaders and do what's right for our state. Given the opportunity to join us in supporting critical mental health initiatives, my colleagues across the aisle instead chose to follow the status quo, to the detriment of countless families and communities.

"Mental health plays a vital role in not only the health of an individual, but the well-being of our schools, workplaces, and ultimately, communities. Today, my Democratic colleagues had the opportunity to correct an error made when Governor Evers vetoed several provisions from the budget that would have made our communities both healthier and safer. Frankly, it's embarrassing that they refused to join us on an issue that is a clear 'win' for every part of our state."

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