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## **Rep. Edming Backs Substance Abuse Prevention Package**

**MADISON** – Representative James Edming (R-Glen Flora) backed a package of six bills during today’s State Assembly floor session aimed at combating substance abuse and addiction. This package is a continuation of the [Heroin, Opioid Prevention and Education \(HOPE\) Agenda](#), which is an effort that has been ongoing for a number of years in the Wisconsin Legislature.

“Just like so many communities around Wisconsin, drug addiction has negatively impacted communities around the 87<sup>th</sup> Assembly District,” said Rep. Edming. “I am pleased to support this package of bills that will continue the progress our state has made in fighting drug addiction.”

The package approved by the Assembly today does the following:

- Expand access to safe and reliable recovery housing;
- Ensure state employee protections while undergoing Medication-Assisted Treatment;
- Extend the highly successful Prescription Drug Monitoring Program 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.

“This important package of bills builds upon the progress of the last few years to continue the effort to combat drug addiction in our state,” said Rep. Edming. “Going forward, I am committed to continue working with my colleagues, and others to continue this effort and help our fellow Wisconsinites in need.”

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*The 87th Assembly District includes portions of Clark, Marathon, Rusk, Sawyer and Taylor Counties.*