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## Rep. Felzkowski Celebrates Passage of Bills That Benefit Rural Wisconsin

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**Madison-** Several bills authored by Rep. Mary Felzkowski (R-Irma) passed on the Assembly floor Tuesday, advancing them one step closer to getting signed into law.

The first set of bills is a package addressing the regulation of overnight recreational camps overwhelmingly passed the Assembly with bipartisan support.

“These camps are hidden gems tucked throughout the Northwoods, bringing campers from dozens of countries here to experience our beautiful natural resources and grow fond memories of Wisconsin that last a lifetime,” shared Rep. Felzkowski, “These camps not only teach children independence, social skills and love of the outdoors, they also bring in millions of dollars in rural tourism revenue and employ hundreds of local residents. Our package of bills alleviates the duplicative and burdensome regulations these camps undergo, ensuring their continued success.”

Another bill authored by Rep. Felzkowski addresses whole grade sharing, a funding mechanism at the state level that was created to incentivize school districts to share grades. For example, district A may offer grades 6-8 for students from both districts, while district B offers grades 9-12. This type of collaboration helps both school districts maximize their resources, and allows them to put more funding directly into the classroom, and ultimately into more opportunities for their students.

“Whole grade sharing is a proven, effective method that allows school districts who choose to share grades to provide the best possible classroom experience for their students. This is just one more tool that enables schools to retain valued teachers and offer a variety of courses they would otherwise not be able to.”

Rep. Felzkowski looks forward to seeing this legislation move through the Senate and be signed into law by the Governor.

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