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Rep. Plumer Supports Legislation to Grow Workforce

MADISON, WI – Rep. Plumer (R – Lodi) voted this afternoon for legislation to help encourage individuals to return to the workforce. Assembly Bill 336 passed today on a party-line vote and ends the state’s participation in federal unemployment compensation enhancement programs.

“Wisconsin is open again and businesses are looking to hire,” said Rep. Plumer. “With thousands of open jobs in the state, it is well past time that we stop incentivizing folks to stay home. We should be doing everything in our power to get Wisconsinites back into the work force.”

Federal assistance programs have been paying an additional \$300-per-week on top of state unemployment benefits. Currently 25 other state have already ended their participation in the program. Without this legislation, Wisconsin’s participation in the program would not end until September 6, 2021. Assembly Bill 336 also restores the requirement that those receiving unemployment benefits must be actively seeking employment.

“There is no reason our small businesses should be competing against a government benefit program for employees,” Rep. Plumer said. “It’s time to get Wisconsin back to work.”

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