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Rep. Rodriguez votes to Override Governor's Veto of AB 336

MADISON – Rep. Jessie Rodriguez (R-Oak Creek) issued the following statement after the Assembly's attempt to override the Governor's veto of Assembly Bill 336 ([AB 336](#)), a bill that would support workforce recovery by terminating Wisconsin's participation in the federal programs that have enhanced unemployment benefits by \$300 per week:

“It's disappointing to see Democrats in the legislature and executive branch continue to encourage able-bodied adults to sit at home collecting unemployment insurance when so many businesses in my district and around the state are desperate for employees. There are more jobs posted on the Job Center of Wisconsin today than there were before the pandemic. We can't afford to continue to sideline able-bodied adults while tens of thousands of jobs are available.

“My colleagues on the other side of the aisle who have claimed that there's a lack of evidence to support this bill are ignoring the facts. Data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics has shown that many states with their workforce returning to pre-pandemic levels have cut their unemployment benefits before the September sunset date.

“Terminating Wisconsin's participation in enhanced unemployment benefits is not a silver bullet, but we have seen it help the workforce in other states. It is time for Wisconsin to join those states. My Republican colleagues and I will continue to fight for the small business community and the economic recovery of our state.”

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