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Vos, Felzkowski Statement on Evers' Unconstitutional Power Grab

Madison, WI – In Evers v. Marklein, the Wisconsin Supreme Court clearly stated that the Legislature "alone maintains the ability to amend, expand, or limit the breadth of administrative rulemaking in other branches [of government]." In direct contradiction of the court's ruling, Governor Tony Evers is attempting to circumvent statutory requirements that are part of the rule-making process and that no court has held to be invalid in any respect. Assembly Speaker Robin Vos and Senate President Mary Felzkowski, co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Legislative Organization, issued the following statement:

We are following the law and maintaining the fundamental checks and balances of lawmaking. The governor is flagrantly disregarding the rule of law and egregiously abusing the power of his office. If the governor's actions go unchecked, Wisconsinites would no longer have an opportunity for public testimony on rules that carry the full force of law. We will not let this happen.

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