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Madison Republicans continue to ignore the will of the people on cannabis legislation, says Green Bay area Representative.

GREEN BAY - This morning, Wisconsin Assembly Republicans introduced LRB-2858/1, a bill to create a state-run medical cannabis program with a variety of additional restrictions. On the draft's introduction, Representative Kristina Shelton offered the following comments:



“Wisconsinites have sent us legislators to Madison time and time again to pass full, responsible, justice-centered recreational cannabis legislation and Assembly Republicans continue to ignore them. We could be having a creative discussion about how to keep our tax dollars in our state while opening the doors to a new industry for farmers, producers, and retailers here - but instead, Wisconsin Republicans introduce ‘the most restrictive’ medical program in the country.

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“A majority of Wisconsinites support both recreational and medical cannabis. While this bill could provide relief to some Wisconsinites, legalizing cannabis only for medical purposes ignores long standing disparities affecting communities of color across our state. We must take steps towards cannabis policy that provides real relief for patients, supports our communities, and expands economic opportunity in our state.”