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**LUTHERAN OFFICE CALLS FOR NINETY-DAY DELAY
ON RIGHT TO WORK LEGISLATION**

The Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin is greatly concerned by the Senate's decision to vote on the Right to Work bill. Senate Bill 44 (Right to Work) was presented rapidly in the face of serious questions about its potential benefits. We are particularly alert to the possible impact any legislation could have on the food and housing security of employees and their families. As an advocacy ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America we are focused on diminishing poverty.

We have heard two sides of the probable value and danger of Senate Bill 44 in a very brief time. The reality is that the legislature and people of this state do not have enough information. Therefore we request the Assembly delay taking any action on Right to Work for at least ninety days. We recommend that a bi-partisan commission be appointed by the legislature's leadership to further study the needs of employees and employers and hold listening sessions around Wisconsin with key stakeholders and the public.

We believe there is a great urgency to build community in our state through dialogue and education.