



Tony Evers

Office of the Governor | State of Wisconsin

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VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Members of Cabinet:

On July 8, 2025, the Wisconsin Supreme Court issued a decision in *Evers v. Marklein II*, 2025 WI 36.

Pursuant to that decision, the Legislature must act through legislation if it wishes to suspend, delay, or veto an administrative rule. There no longer remains any statutory requirement to wait for legislative committee review before promulgating a rule once I have approved it. This is good and important news as it means we can—and must—continue the people's work in earnest.

Accordingly, I am directing agencies to submit rules that have made it through that relevant part of the process to the Legislative Reference Bureau for finalization and publication. Further, I am directing agencies to review your statutorily provided authority to promulgate rules and, where appropriate, initiate rules. More specifically, I respectfully request that you analyze areas in which the Legislature's prior abuse of power forestalled, delayed, or halted prior rulemaking in service of the people of our state.

Together in service,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tony Evers".

Tony Evers

Governor