

Wisconsin Senator Patrick Testin
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Dear Sen. Testin:

As your constituent and a dedicated voter, I'm asking you to support the "Keep Families Together" package of bills. These include the No Secret Police Act, LRB-4042, which bans masks and requires law enforcement officers to identify themselves (there are exceptions when concealment is justified). We are seeing masked officers grabbing people (including U.S. citizens) without identifying themselves or why the person is being arrested. We expect this in places like Venezuela or Russia; it is NOT OK in the United States.

LRB-4475, Ban State Support for Immigration Detention Centers, prevents our Wisconsin tax dollars from going to imprison people based solely on their immigration status. Our prisons and jails are already overcrowded and struggling to provide humane conditions for our own inmates. Our taxes should not be wasted imprisoning nonviolent persons who, in most cases, have been working in our communities, very often in work that few citizens will accept.

LRB-415 and AB 57, Protecting Safe Spaces & Community Trust, would prohibit ICE from pursuing immigrants in schools, churches, hospitals, and community centers, and stop our officers from doing ICE's work. Again, our tax dollars shouldn't be going for a dubious federal project that has often far overreached legality. When police officers act as ICE agents, it destroys trust in the police and aggravates crime - people won't call 911 or speak to police.

LRB-4207, Due Process for All, corrects the injustice whereby those facing deportation must confront the justice system without training. Thousands of children, some as young as three, have had to "represent themselves" - an absurdity - before an immigration judge. Everyone, not just U.S. citizens, has a constitutional right to due process. LRB-4207 would ensure that right.

The above measures are needed so that we can return to a society that operates under law, not whims. Please support them. I would appreciate receiving your response.

Thank you for writing to State Senator Testin.
You can increase your impact by adding a brief statement at the end.
Then sign and date the letter, and send it to the address at the top.
You are making a difference to help protect our immigrant neighbors!