

**Sample Email – Make sure you include your personal experience**

**Email to Your Senator (PLEASE NOTE!! If your Senator is Dale Kooynega, all you need to do is thank him for being a sponsor of the Workplace Violence Against Nurses legislation)**

Dear Senator \_\_\_\_\_,

As your constituent and a \_\_\_\_\_ (indicate if you are a RN or nursing student) I am asking that you co-sponsor to LRB 2300/P1, the *Workplace Violence Against Nurses* legislation.

As a (NURSE/NURSING STUDENT) I have personally \_\_\_\_\_ (insert experienced or witnessed) workplace violence and have seen firsthand the negative effect it has. Two separate surveys of Wisconsin nurses from 2012 and 2017 were conducted by the Wisconsin Nurses Association (WNA) regarding workplace violence indicated that two thirds of Wisconsin nurses had been the victim of workplace violence while on duty. Violence in the workplace has significant consequences including potentially jeopardizing nurses' ability to care for patients. Additionally, workplace violence imposes significant implications including lost work time, increased health care costs and medical and psychological treatment costs. Legislation to prevent this from happening and implementing significant consequences for those who do batter nurses, extending the Class H felony beyond the emergency department, will help to maintain optimum patient outcomes in all sectors of healthcare, thereby protecting all patients and defending your constituents.

Please consider supporting nurses and patients in the state of Wisconsin by co-sponsoring LRB 2300/P1.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact WNA at 608-221-0383 ex 201, or myself at (PHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL).

Thank you for your continued support,

\_\_\_\_\_, (SN/RN) **Please blind copy [allison@wisconsinnurses.org](mailto:allison@wisconsinnurses.org) so we can maintain a count of how many legislators were contacted**

**Email to Your Assemblyperson (PLEASE NOTE!! If your Representative is Gae Magnafici, Cindi Duchow, Paul Tittl or Mike Kuglitsch all you need to do is thank them for being a co-author of the Workplace Violence Against Nurses legislation).**

Dear Representative \_\_\_\_\_,

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Please consider supporting nurses and patients in the state of Wisconsin by co-sponsoring LRB-2384/P1

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact WNA at 608-221-0383 ex 201, or myself at (PHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL).

Thank you for your continued support,

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### Telephone/Voicemail Script

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Hello, My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I am a constituent of Senator/Representative \_\_\_\_\_ and a RN/SN AT \_\_\_\_\_. I am calling to ask for SEN/REP \_\_\_\_\_'s support for LRB 2300/P1 and LRB-2384/P1. This bill is being presented to support and protect nurses who are victims of workplace violence. We know that violence has a detrimental effect on a person's ability to think and process, and this can have dangerous outcomes on patients. Over two thirds of nurses in Wisconsin have reported being the victim of workplace violence in Wisconsin, so the impact of this issue is wide spread and not unique. I ask you to please consider supporting your constituents, both patients and nurses, by supporting the *Workplace Violence Against Nurses* legislation. Please contact me at \_\_\_\_\_ or the Wisconsin Nurses Association for more information or with any questions you may have. Thank you.

Please email [allison@wisconsinnurses.org](mailto:allison@wisconsinnurses.org) or call 608-221-0383 ext. 201 to let her know that you called.