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Subject: RE: Support Needed – Sign On to Protect Wisconsin's Volunteer Drivers (LRB-4850 – soon to be released)

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From: **Nick Musson** < <u>Nick.Musson@gwaar.org</u>>

Date: Fri, Oct 17, 2025 at 8:58 AM

Subject: Support Needed – Sign On to Protect Wisconsin's Volunteer Drivers (LRB-4850 – soon to be

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Cc: Nick Musson < Nick.Musson@gwaar.org>

Dear Partners,

We're excited to share that Senator Jesse James is preparing to introduce LRB-4850, a proposal to protect volunteer drivers from unfair auto insurance treatment. This bill ensures insurers cannot cancel, deny, or raise rates solely because someone volunteers their time to transport others.

Volunteer drivers are essential to Wisconsin's aging and human services network—connecting people to medical care, groceries, and community life. Yet, many are losing coverage or facing steep premium increases simply for volunteering.

To support LRB-4850, we're circulating a **statewide sign-on letter** urging Wisconsin legislators to pass common-sense protections for volunteer drivers.

LRB-4850:

- Defines "Volunteer Driver" as an individual who, without compensation other than reimbursement for actual expenses, provides transportation under the direction, sponsorship, or supervision of a qualifying entity (such as a governmental or charitable organization).
- Prohibits insurers from canceling, refusing to issue, refusing to renew, or increasing premiums for automobile insurance solely because the policyholder is a volunteer driver.

How you can help:

- 1. Review the **Volunteer Driver Sign-On Letter.**
- 2. Add your organization's name, contact information, and signature.

3. Email your signed copy back to me by October 31, 2025

4. Please share this letter with other organizations, volunteer driver programs, and partners who may be affected or supportive.

For more information see the Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network's Volunteer Driver Insurance **State Issue Brief**.

Your voice is essential to protecting the volunteers who keep Wisconsin's transportation network strong and connected. Thank you for helping us ensure no volunteer loses their insurance—or their ability to serve—simply for giving back to their community. In addition to sharing the sign-on letter with other organizations, please also consider sharing our Volunteer Driver Insurance story collection survey - https://forms.office.com/r/ECJWtVa1TX.

Questions can be directed to: Nick Musson, GWAAR Transportation Specialist

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Thank you.

Nick Musson

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