



## *State Senate Democrats 2008 Targeted Races*

2006 was an incredible year for Democrats in the State Senate. Not only did we win all 4 targeted races, but we took back the majority! This year we can build on that success by re-electing 3 popular State Senators and picking up 4 new ones, ensuring the State Senate will stay in Democratic hands for years to come.

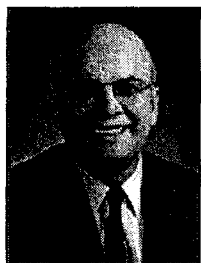


### *Senator Dave Hansen - 30th Senate District*

State Senator Dave Hansen is one of the most popular and beloved political figures in the state. In his 8 years in the Senate he has championed the rights of workers and consumers, and has led the push for lower property taxes and health care reform. In 2004 Senator Hansen was one of the top targets of the Republicans and their special interest money, yet he easily won re-election with 55% of the vote. Senator Hansen now has raised over \$170,000 for his campaign, nearly the total amount he spent in all of 2004. He faces embattled City Council member **Chad Fradette**, who has drawn the ire of local residents and media for his far right-wing policies and divisive actions.

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### *Senator Bob Wirch - 22nd Senate District*

In 2004 the Republicans and their allies threw everything they had at Senator Wirch. They spent over \$1 million trying to unseat the 8 year incumbent, and Bob still won by over 3,000 votes. Senator Wirch has spent his 12 years in the State Senate helping to create jobs and grow the economy of his blue collar district. He's led the fight to keep jobs here in Southeastern Wisconsin, and has been a strong advocate for fair wages and benefits. Bob has already raised \$120,000 and has been knocking on doors for months, braving the wintery weather. Bob's hard work and the district's 54% Democratic performance has made recruiting a viable opponent against him extremely difficult for the Republicans.

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### *Senator Roger Breske - 12th Senate District*

Senator Roger Breske is an institution in the Northwoods of Wisconsin. He has spent his 18 years in the State Senate bringing home millions of dollars in tax relief for home-owners and small businesses. He has again and again delivered vital tourism funding, helping to grow the local economy. Senator Breske is a staunch defender of hunting and fishing rights, and has repeatedly voted to protect the natural resources that the Northwoods relies on. Roger's ongoing fight for his district has earned him re-election 4 consecutive times, and he currently has over \$110,000 in the bank. In 2008, the Republicans are again running Tom Tiffany against Senator Breske, the same candidate he handily defeated in 2004.

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## *Alison Page - 10th Senate District*

A native of the 10th Senate District, Alison Page has been a community leader for decades. She served on the River Falls School Board for 17 years, 12 of which she was President. Alison has spent the last 10 years as a Senior Administrator for Fairview Health Services, first as a VP of Operations and currently as an award-winning Chief Safety Officer. Alison was a high school friend and supporter of the incumbent, Sheila Harsdorf, even serving as Harsdorf's campaign manager in 1994. Fed up with Sheila's refusal to support health care reform and public education however, Alison decided it was time for a change. She believes the state must invest in education and health care, and have the discipline to keep property taxes from skyrocketing.

*Doyle and Falk both won the 10th Senate District in 2006 with over 53% of the vote.*

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## *Rep. Sheldon Wasserman - 8th Senate District*

Sheldon Wasserman has served 14 years as an Assemblyman from the northern Milwaukee suburbs. Sheldon has been an outspoken advocate for health care reform, government accountability, and fiscal responsibility. A native of Milwaukee, Sheldon has been a practicing OB/GYN for the last twenty years. Sheldon prides himself on top notch service to his constituents, and the outpouring of support he has received is a direct result. He has already raised over \$300,000 for his campaign and knocked on over 10,000 doors. He faces an opponent in Alberta Darling who has flip flopped on key issues like stem cell research, and has become a party line vote for the far right. Citing health reasons, Darling recently admitted that she would not be able to knock on any doors this cycle.

*Only 39% of voters believe that Alberta Darling should be re-elected.*

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## *Jessica King - 18th Senate District*

Jessica King is a rising star in Wisconsin politics. Last year Jessica won a city-wide aldermanic election, becoming the only woman on the Oshkosh City Council and its youngest member. Born and raised in the 18th Senate District, Jess returned home after law school to be closer to her family. She now serves as an associate attorney at an Oshkosh law firm. Jess is a dynamic and energetic candidate who is willing to put in the work it takes to win a seat in the State Senate. Jess is running in an open seat, vacated by Republican Carol Roessler. She faces a sheriff who has been widely criticized for his spending on a local jail and his out of control department budgets.

*In just a few short months, Jess has already raised over \$20,000.*

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## *Tara Johnson - 32nd Senate District*

Tara Johnson has served on the La Crosse County Board for 8 years, and is recognized as a community leader on health care and family services. She is a strong pragmatic progressive who has consistently voted to keep county budgets under control. Prior to her work on the county board, Tara was the Director of the United Way in La Crosse, and the chair of Rep. Jen Schilling's campaign committee. Tara faces embattled incumbent Dan Kapanke, who has openly broken with his district on issues like compassionate care for rape victims, concealed carry, children's health care, and out of state garbage. The 32nd is a 56% Democratic seat, and gave over 57% of the vote to Jim Doyle and Kathleen Falk in 2006.

*43% of people in the 32nd consider themselves democrats, compared to 28% republican.*

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