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Legislators, Pro-Life Wisconsin hail passage of women's health bills

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JANESVILLE — State legislators and Pro-Life Wisconsin were cheering late last week the passage of two women's health bills.

On Thursday, the state Assembly approved both a bill that extends Medicaid coverage to women for one full year after they give birth, and Gail's Law, which requires health insurance companies to fully cover supplemental breast screenings for women with dense breast tissue or other high-risk factors.

Current law only extends Medicaid coverage to women for 60 days after they give birth.

Under current law, a baby is covered by Medicaid for a full 12 months after birth. "Senate Bill 23 simply extends mom's coverage to 12 months after birth to match her baby's length of coverage," Pro-Life Wisconsin noted in a release.

Both bills were approved by the state Assembly on Thursday, with bipartisan support, after previously being approved by the state Senate, and now await approval by Gov. Tony Evers. Their passage came before the state Legislature held its final session of the 2026 calendar year on Thursday, in advance of the November midterm elections.

"With Gov. Evers' expected signature, Wisconsin will soon join 48 states and the



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'It's fun to mess around with the bots'

Milton High School hosts its first-ever robotics competition

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MILTON — What started four years ago with a small group of interested students has grown into a thriving robotics program, culminating Saturday with the first-ever robotics competition hosted by Milton High School.

Seven teams from Milton High School competed, marking a major milestone for the program. In all, 32 teams came from across Wisconsin to participate in Saturday's events.

Rob Thomas, the robotics teacher at Milton High School, said interest in the club has continued to grow since its founding.

"It's turned into seven teams. We're down in middle school now, and we've done this, and this whole robotics thing is just exploding," he said. "And the kids are learning why they need to learn math and English, science and all that."

Milton High School Principal Jeremy Bilhorn said the program's growth has been steady and student-driven.

"We're really proud of it," he said. "When Rob (the computer science teacher at Milton) started here, we had a couple kids, some kids were interested in it."



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