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In the past few weeks, right-wing ideologues in the Wisconsin Republican Party have set a course to purge their party of anyone with a history of bi-partisanship or moderation.

GOP attack dogs used hidden camera video to rid themselves of Senator Mike Ellis, because he wanted to limit the amount of tax dollars they could siphon from public schools.

The tea-party ideologues propped up conservative activist and State Senator Glenn Grothman to challenge long-time Congressman Tom Petri because he was too moderate for their tastes.

And for the past three years, Republican leaders worked to purge Senator Dale Schultz from the ranks of the GOP because he stood up for the people in his district rather than the extreme Koch Brothers and ALEC agenda.

Republican infighting and attempts to please their Tea Party base have forced out many moderate candidates and opened the door for Democrats to regain the majority this fall. Your contribution of \$50, \$25 or even \$17 will go directly into helping Senate Democrats reach the magic number of 17 members needed to take back the majority and restoring common sense. Please consider making a recurring monthly contribution of \$17.

Progressives, moderates, independents and even a growing number of conservatives have had enough of the corruption & cronyism that is being forced on our state. The efforts to silence Democracy and shift more power to out-of-state special interests and big corporate donors have exposed the GOP agenda and revealed their true intentions.

The Appleton Post-Crescent labeled the Republican actions as "cynical, despicable maneuvers that speak to their disrespect for voters."

The Beloit Daily News called their legislation "Embarrassments to the Wisconsin tradition of good government."

"This is all about strong-armed politics," said the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

Join us in bringing the voice of sanity back to the Wisconsin legislature. Your contribution of \$50, \$25 or \$17 will help us to bring the much needed change to Wisconsin.



While the ideologues celebrate their purging of the moderates, Democrats are hard at work laying the groundwork in the three open State Senate seats that have been created in the wake of the purge.

But we can't do it without your help.

With three open seats and six targeted GOP Senate seats, Wisconsin Senate Democrats are well positioned to put an end to the Tea Party shenanigans.

In solidarity,

Chris Larson

Senate Democratic Leader

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