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Shaw Blasts Kind for Trying to "Spin" the Public

(Menomonie, WI) - Third Congressional District Republican Party Chairman Dennis Shaw today blasted Rep. Ron Kind for his June 13 press release allegedly supporting the elimination of the marriage penalty tax.

"Congressman Kind knows the public supports elimination of the marriage penalty, so he is spinning this issue to try and make us believe he supports it while he is sitting on his hands, or worse, actively working against it," Shaw said.

On July 12, 2000 the U.S. House passed the Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Act by a vote of 269 to 159. Kind voted NO. On March 29, 2001, the House again passed the Marriage Penalty and Family Tax Relief Act by a vote of 282 to 144. Kind voted NO.

Now, Kind issues a press release titled "Kind Favors Permanent Repeal of Marriage Penalty." It cleverly states however, that the legislation he would have supported "would have made the marriage penalty provisions permanent only if the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) certifies in 2010 that there would be sufficient non-Social Security surpluses to finance the bill without using Social Security Trust Fund surpluses."

"2010? He might support it in 8 years ONLY IF we have enough money by then?", Shaw asked. "This is a matter of fairness. This is a matter of doing what is right. The Congressman obviously has no intention of supporting the elimination of this unfair tax and he should come clean and admit it!"